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MR. DUFF-COOPER ON FAR EAST

The British Cabinet Minister, Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, who is on a special mission to the Far East, arrived in Batavia yesterday from Singapore.

Expressing great satisfaction with the defence preparations in the Far East, he told the press: "If we had been prepared in the West as well as here, there would probably have been no suggestion at all of eventualities arising in the Far-East."

Mr. Duff-Cooper emphasised that the present lull was certainly not caused by any negotiations between the United States and Japan at the expense of China.

Britain, he continued, would not sit by and allow the Dutch East Indies to be attacked. The mutual understanding between the British and the Dutch could not be better.

Mr. Duff-Cooper said he expected to visit Australia shortly, staying there for two or three weeks.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S GESTURE TO SOVIET

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It was disclosed in Washington yesterday that Britain has relinquished priorities on huge quantities of fighting machines and munitions so that critically needed reinforcements can be sent to Russia.

Pursuit planes and tanks headed the list. Some American pursuit planes have already reached the Soviets.

It was also disclosed that the United States and Britain have reached a joint agreement on a new policy of all-out aid to Russia as a result of a Soviet plan made simultaneously in Washington and London.

IT WAS SAID THAT STALIN MINCED NO WORDS, DECLARING RUSSIAN RESISTANCE DEPENDS LARGELY ON THE SPEED AND AMOUNT OF THE AID.—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE

WINTER TIME FOR HONG KONG IN OCTOBER

It was officially announced in the "Government Gazette" this morning that Hong Kong Winter Time will be enforced from the beginning of next month.

At 4 a.m. (Hong Kong Summer Time) on October 1, all clocks should be put back 30 minutes.

America May Use Bombers

The possibility that "land planes," presumably Army bombers, might be used in the battle of the Atlantic, was indicated by the U.S. Assistant War Secretary, Mr. John McCloy, in a speech to the Michigan Bar Association at Jackson yesterday.

He declared such aircraft could operate successfully from shore bases and "Navy people tell me they should be able to exert a decisive influence on ship sinkings in the Atlantic immediately they set about the job on an all-out basis."

Regarding America's part in opposition to the German struggle for world mastery, Mr. McCloy said: "We already have within our means full command of the sea if we wish to express it."

He added: "With England we will, at a not too far distant time, command the air, and next year our armies, if needed, will be prepared to respond to any task we now foresee."

Mr. McCloy said the Germans have 300 divisions of a total of nine to 10 million men, of which perhaps 100 divisions have yet to be thrown into Russia.—Reuter.

ANZAC SHIPPING SPEED-UP

Australia's shipbuilding programme is being speeded up and considerably exceeds earlier estimates. It aims at the completion of 60 naval vessels, including destroyers, before the end of 1942. Building is in progress in four States.—Reuter.

But Outcome Hanging In The Balance

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
A SPOKESMAN IN LONDON YESTERDAY EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT THE SOVIET WILL BE ABLE TO HOLD OUT THROUGH THE WINTER BUT ADDED THAT IF AN AVALANCHE OF MILITARY SUPPLIES DOES NOT REACH RUSSIA BY SPRING, HITLER MAY ELIMINATE THE EASTERN FRONT EITHER MILITARILY OR BY A POLITICAL COMPROMISE.

The spokesman said the outcome of the war in Russia is hanging in the balance, with victory possible for either side. "The whole history of the world depends on the outcome of this battle," he added.

Military circles in London said that German armoured columns, in an adventurous short cut offensive to snatch the Caucasus oil fields before winter, "apparently" have cut off the Crimean Peninsula.

Risking their own isolation, yet trapping a huge Russian force, the Nazis are reported to have captured Perekop, railroad city on the isthmus linking the mainland.

Further, there are growing indications that the Axis is preparing a Black Sea naval move supporting the Crimean offensive. German and Italian vessels are massing along the Bulgarian coast.

Soviet Gains In North

British advices said that at the other end of the front the Germans are pressing hard on Murmansk.

Nazi claims continue in familiar vein. One claim is that

DUSTSTORM AT TOBRUK

A BRITISH MIDDLE EAST COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT CAIRO YESTERDAY STATES:

Libya: A severe duststorm on Thursday interfered with our patrolling activities at Tobruk. In the frontier area, advanced elements of our mechanised forces have again been active.—Reuter.

MISSION LEADER BACK

The leader of the British economic mission to Moscow, Mr. L. Cadbury, is back in Britain.

He will confer with Lord Beaverbrook, who is to head the British delegation to the forthcoming Anglo-Russian-American talks.—Reuter.

SOVIET WOMEN LEAVE JAPAN

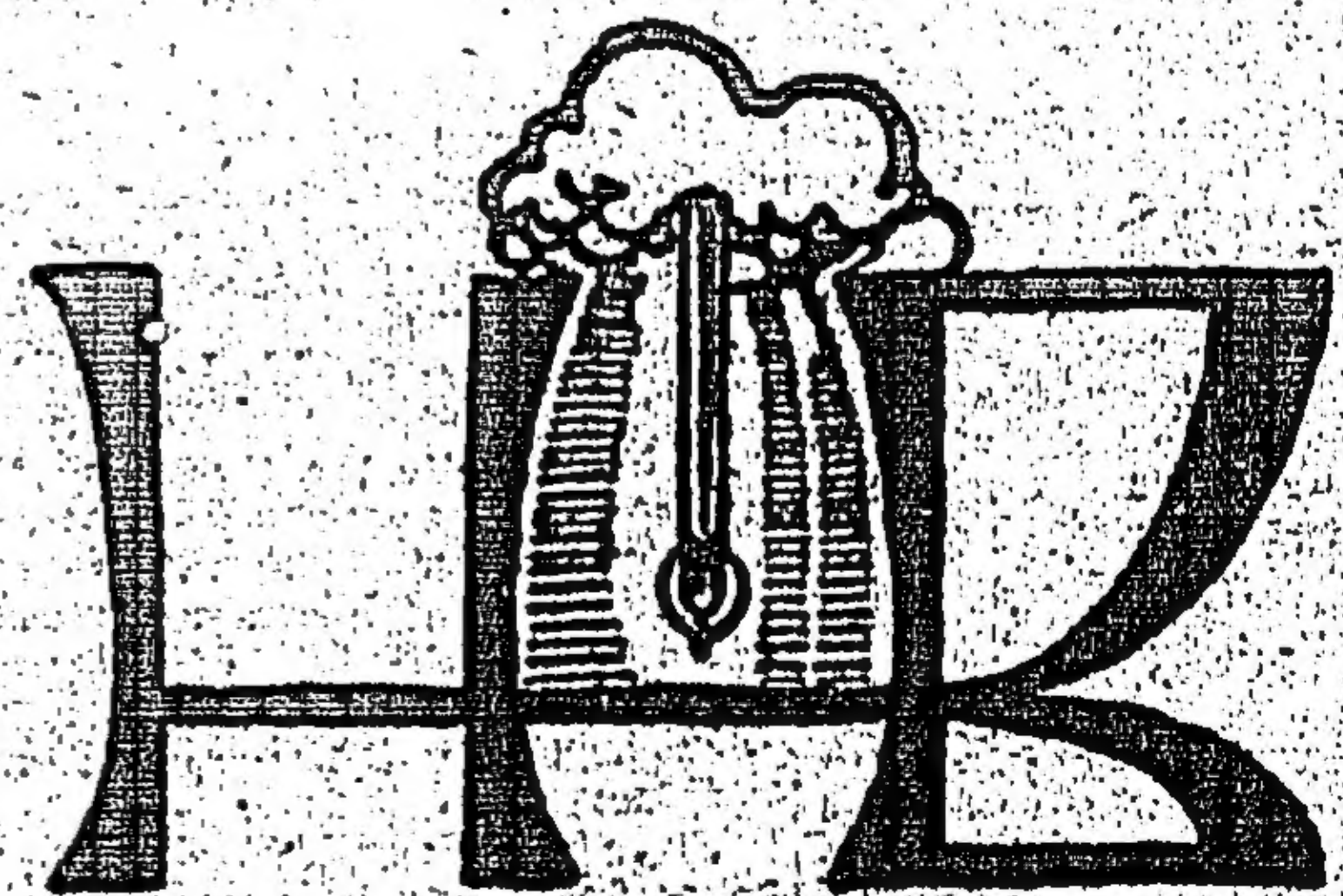
Madame Smetanin, wife of the Soviet Ambassador to Japan, and 50 other wives and children of Soviet diplomatic representatives to Japan, left the port of Tsuga in an unnamed vessel for Vladivostok yesterday afternoon, says Reuter from Tokyo.

NEW CORPS FOR H. K.

DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS PRESCRIBING THE PERIOD OF ENROLMENT AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF MEMBERS OF THE AUXILIARY CONSERVANCY CORPS, ITS CONSTITUTION, AND ADMINISTRATION WERE PUBLISHED IN THE "GOVERNMENT GAZETTE" THIS MORNING.

Similar instructions in regard to the Auxiliary Medical Corps which embraces all first aid, casualty, and hospital units, under the Civil Defence Corps Regulations, are also included in the official publication.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

MOSCOW ADMITS KIEV SITUATION SERIOUS

Germans Claim To Have Reached The Centre Of City

(War Commentary By "Annalist")

ONCE AGAIN THE ROLL OF DRUMS AND THE BLARE OF FANFARES HAVE ANNOUNCED TO THE GERMAN PEOPLE IMMENSE SUCCESSES ON THE EASTERN FRONT, WHILE THE RUSSIAN COMMUNIQUE SPEAKS OF ESPECIALLY INTENSE FIGHTING IN THE KIEV SECTOR.

NETHERLANDS SUBMARINE'S FEATS

It was officially announced in London yesterday that a Dutch submarine operating with the British Navy in the Mediterranean has sunk a 1,200-tons Italian sailing vessel by gunfire.

The submarine has also torpedoed an Italian supply ship of 6,000 tons.—Reuter.

HEAVY COST OF KIEV

The fact that Hitler has recently moved in new divisions and is sparing neither men nor materials in his second frontal push, aiming to take Kiev by storm, is considered to some extent a favourable sign.

For weeks now Kiev, with centuries of history and tradition supporting its spirit, has been looking down from its seven hills across its flatter far-stretching suburbs to the front, where the Germans are battering away fruitlessly until the last few days.

Several more German divisions were badly cut up in the second offensive but Hitler has been obliged to carry on the attack because Kiev stood as the forward bulwark of the Russian defences on the southern front.

Badly needing the capture of at least one large town, because winter is rapidly approaching and with the Rumanians giving no sign of their ability to seize Odessa, Hitler has had to spend literally tens of thousands of men and hundreds of planes and tanks to make one breach in Kiev's defences.—Reuter.

MANCHUKUO AND SPAIN

A treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation has been signed between Spain and Manchukuo.—Reuter.

On Thursday night it was admitted that the enemy had penetrated the outer defences of Kiev in one sector and had reached the outskirts of the city.

It is too early to appraise the results of the fighting, in the absence of more details from the Soviet side, but German claims can be treated in the light of their previous exaggerations.

Thus in matters where there can be no doubt, such as British shipping losses or aeroplane losses, German claims are generally magnified by 300 to 800 per cent.

It would be surprising, if the German pincer arms east of Kiev had really closed, as alleged on Saturday last, that the Germans waited a week before broadcasting the announcement.

It is, however, clear that the Germans are making a supreme effort all along the line, and their disregard of the cost is only matched by the desperate unflinching resistance of the Russians, whose morale shows no signs of weakening.

Kiev May Fall

It is possible that Kiev may fall and it is even possible that Leningrad may fall, but even Hitler is beginning to realize that these losses will not break the Russian spirit and that he will find always new and indomitable troops from the Russians' immense reserves facing his war-worn battalions.

THE SITUATION AT KIEV IS ACKNOWLEDGED IN MOSCOW TO BE SERIOUS BUT THERE IS NO FALTERING IN THE DETERMINATION OF THE SOVIET TROOPS AND LOCAL POPULATION TO FIGHT FOR EVERY YARD OF GROUND.

German troops have already once reached the outskirts of the city in a drive in the first half of August but only at the price of some 20,000 dead and the destruction of masses of material.

By remarkable stubbornness Kiev's defenders turned back the enemy and in some directions drove him far enough away to give the city a little breathing space.

Exceptionally heavy losses were suffered by the Germans who have now battled their way into one sector of Kiev's defences.

Poltava Taken

Meanwhile the German High Command yesterday announced that Poltava, 200 miles east-south-east of Kiev, and about 65 miles north-east of Kremenchug, where the Nazis recently crossed the Dnieper, has been taken.

The German radio broadcast the news yesterday afternoon in the following special announcement from the Fuehrer's headquarters.

"The German troops which, after crossing the Dnieper near Kremenchug, have been continuing the attack also north-eastwards, have taken Poltava, 65 miles south-west of Kharkov."

Soviet Communique

Moscow radio, in English, gives the following as the text of the Russian midnight communique:—

"During September 18 our troops continued fighting along the whole front.

"Our aircraft dealt blows on enemy mobile units, infantry and artillery on the battlefield and on their aircraft on aerodromes.

"On September 18, 112 German planes were brought down in air combats and on their aerodromes. Our losses were 20 planes."

A reference to the Germans being at the outskirts of Kiev is contained in a supplement to the communique, which says "Heavy fighting has been going on at Kiev during the last few days.

Outer Defences Penetrated

"The German forces, having suffered enormous losses in men and ammunition, are bringing more and more fresh units into action.

"ON ONE OF THE SECTORS OF THE KIEV DEFENCE LINE THE ENEMY HAS SUCCEEDED IN PENETRATING THE OUTER DEFENCES AND HAS REACHED THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY. SEVERE FIGHTING CONTINUES."

"Reich Flag Over Citadel"

The German High Command reported from the Fuehrer's headquarters last evening: "In the course of encircling operations announced to-day, the attack against the capital of the Ukraine, Kiev, has begun.

"After a bold penetration through strong fortifications on the west bank of the Dnieper, our troops have penetrated into the town."

"The Reich flag has been flying from the Citadel since this (Friday) morning." — Reuter.

F. T. DURDIN IN SINGAPORE

Mr. F. T. Durdin, "New York Times," chief correspondent in the Far East, arrived in Singapore last evening from Chungking via Bangkok. He intends to spend 10 days in Singapore, returning to the Chinese wartime capital via Manila. — Central News.

NANKING BOMB EXPLOSION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Forty-three Chinese were killed or maimed by a time bomb which exploded in Hsialakwan railway station, in Nanking. — International News Service.



BALLOON GIRLS ON THE JOB — London's first all-girl crew is now flying a barrage balloon from a West-end garden. They arrived so quietly and secretly that no one knew they had taken over from the previous R.A.F. crew. It is hoped that eventually girls will be in charge of all the balloons in the area, thus releasing thousands of men for other duties. Photo shows the new W.A.A.F. barrage balloon crew bringing their balloon down to its moorings.

SECURITY MEASURE DEFEATED

A PRIVATE MEMBER'S BILL, ADVOCATING A BAN ON THE ENTRY OF FOREIGNERS OF ALL NATIONALITIES INTO BANGKOK, IN VIEW OF THE PRESENT INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, AND IN ORDER TO PREVENT FIFTH COLUMN ACTIVITIES AND SAFEGUARD THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC STANDARDS, WAS DEFEATED IN THE ASSEMBLY BY 42 VOTES TO 24.

While sympathising with the objects of the Bill, the Minister of the Interior declined to support it because of the likely reactions to Thailand's friendly relations with other powers.

He assured the House that the Government had adequate means to tackle Fifth Column activities and simultaneously cautioned Thais against disclosure of the country's secrets. — Reuter.

SLIGHT DECLINES ON LONDON MARKET

The London Stock Exchange was dull yesterday with operators not keen to open fresh commitments prior to the week-end. A slight declining tendency was noticeable in most sections, including gilt-edgeds, home rails, industrials, particularly tobaccos and oils, where Shells were offered, and shippings.

Kaffirs appeared to have a mainly firm undertone and rubber shares generally were well maintained. Japanese bonds and Brazilians were a shade lower but Europeans were firmly held. Wall Street was barely steady. — Reuter.

CHANGED HIS NATURE

A man whose disposition had changed since a serious motor accident permanently disfigured his face was awarded £23,574 damages for his injuries by Mr. Justice Cassels at Manchester Assizes.

For seven weeks after the accident the mind of Kenneth Hoyle, 34, road car company inspector, of Winifred Street, Stockport, Cheshire, was a blank, and medical evidence was that if all went well it would be three years before he was better.

Mr. Justice Cassels said that for a time Hoyle did not know his wife and family.

A counter-claim by Charles Henry Dunster, of Julia Street, Rochdale, Lancs, plumbing manager of a Nottingham firm, was dismissed with costs.

Stay of execution, with a view to an appeal, was granted.

ECLIPSE OF THE SUN

The eclipse of the sun to-morrow, which will be total in parts of China, will be visible as a partial eclipse in the northern parts of the Dutch East Indies. Because of the war no special arrangements are being made to observe it. — Reuter.

NEW C. J. FOR F.M.S.

Sir Harry Trusted, Chief Justice of Palestine since 1937, has been appointed Chief Justice of the Federated Malay States. — Reuter.

MR. A. V. ALEXANDER'S WARNING

"This Is No Time For Over-Confidence"

Confidence And Courage For The Test

CONSIDERATION OF THE DIFFICULTIES SURMOUNTED MAY RIGHTLY GIVE BRITAIN CONFIDENCE AND COURAGE FOR THE STERN AND TESTING TIMES WHICH LIE AHEAD, DECLARED THE FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY, MR. A. V. ALEXANDER, AT A LUNCHEON IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

"But let me warn you that this is no time for over-confidence," he added, and continued: "We are watching with profound admiration, but deep anxiety also, the swaying fortunes of the heroic resistance our Russian allies are offering."

SEVERE FIGHTING IN HUNAN

Though its left column has been checked at the Tayun Mountain, the renewed Japanese offensive in north Hunan by the central column has increased in intensity with reinforcements of 20,000 Japanese troops.

Most sanguinary fighting has been raging along the Sintsang river, 115 kilometers north of Changsha, since September 18 when a powerful column of over 4,000 crossed the waterway at Kengkow. Kwanwangchiao is now the scene of the severest fighting.

The crossing of the river was assisted by bombing squadrons which in relays subjected the Yingtien, Hsiangyin and Kwanwangchiao sectors to fierce bombardments from sunrise to sundown on September 18.

West of the Sintsang river, sharp fighting has also broken out in the Chingshan region where another Japanese column has landed on the bank of Hoyeh Lake to the north-west of Hsiangyin. — Central News.

CHOCOS. GO TO SWEETS CITY

THE SENDING OF CHOCOLATE TO BRISTOL IS RATHER LIKE SENDING COAL TO NEWCASTLE, BUT IN THE MOST RECENT CONSIGNMENT OF COMFORTS FOR AIR RAID DISTRESS VICTIMS SENT OVER FROM AMERICA TO THE CITY WAS A LARGE QUANTITY OF FRY'S CHOCOLATE.

The entire country is concerned in saving shipping space. Fry's factory is just outside Bristol.

Either the chocolate was sent from Britain to America and back again or—more probably—it came from Fry's Montreal factory.

In either case, surely, it would be easier to arrange for the distribution of this chocolate from a factory six miles away rather than from one on the other side of the Atlantic.

"The most fierce, bloody and terrible battles the world has ever witnessed are being fought out amid scenes of indescribable horror. Great issues tremble in the balance."

In another passage Mr. Alexander said: "We are grateful for all the American aid we have received and hope for more. We acknowledge with admiration all that is being done for our cause by Russian heroism."

"But we recognise that in the final issue it is upon our own exertions that we have to rely for salvation. The urgent call is to speed production in every way possible."

To The End

Mr. Alexander declared that Britain's willingness and determination to help Russia was conditioned by the fact that what could be done was being done and would be done.

"WE ARE WITH RUSSIA TO THE END IN THIS BUSINESS," HE AFFIRMED.

Referring to Colonel Knox's recent statement about the United States Navy's activities, Mr. Alexander said: "The United States is undertaking duties which will greatly help us. Their material and moral support cannot be over-estimated."

Mr. Alexander also revealed that he was assured by the Naval Staff that the average endurance of units of the British Fleet at sea—had been at least twice what could have been foreseen when war began. — Reuter.

H.K. APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments were published in the "Government Gazette" to-day:—

Mr. T. Megarry resumed duty as Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk of Councils.

Mr. L. R. Andrewes resumed duty as Registrar of the Supreme Court, &c.

Mr. M. J. Abbott resumed duty as Acting Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court, &c.

Mr. C. J. Norman to act as Superintendent of Prisons.

Mr. J. W. Fitzgerald to act as Assistant Superintendent of Prisons.

Mr. F. D. Roberts to be a Member of the Shipping Control Board.

Miss M. M. Metcalfe to be a Nursing Sister.

Miss D. Revell to be a Nursing Sister.

Miss D. J. Scourse to be a Nursing Sister.

Miss B. Earner to be a Nursing Sister.

BRITISH FIGHTERS' SUCCESSES

Two enemy mine-sweepers were sunk, a third set on fire and a fourth badly holed and left in a sinking condition, by four of our fighters off the Belgian Coast late on Thursday. No R.A.F. losses were reported. — Reuter.

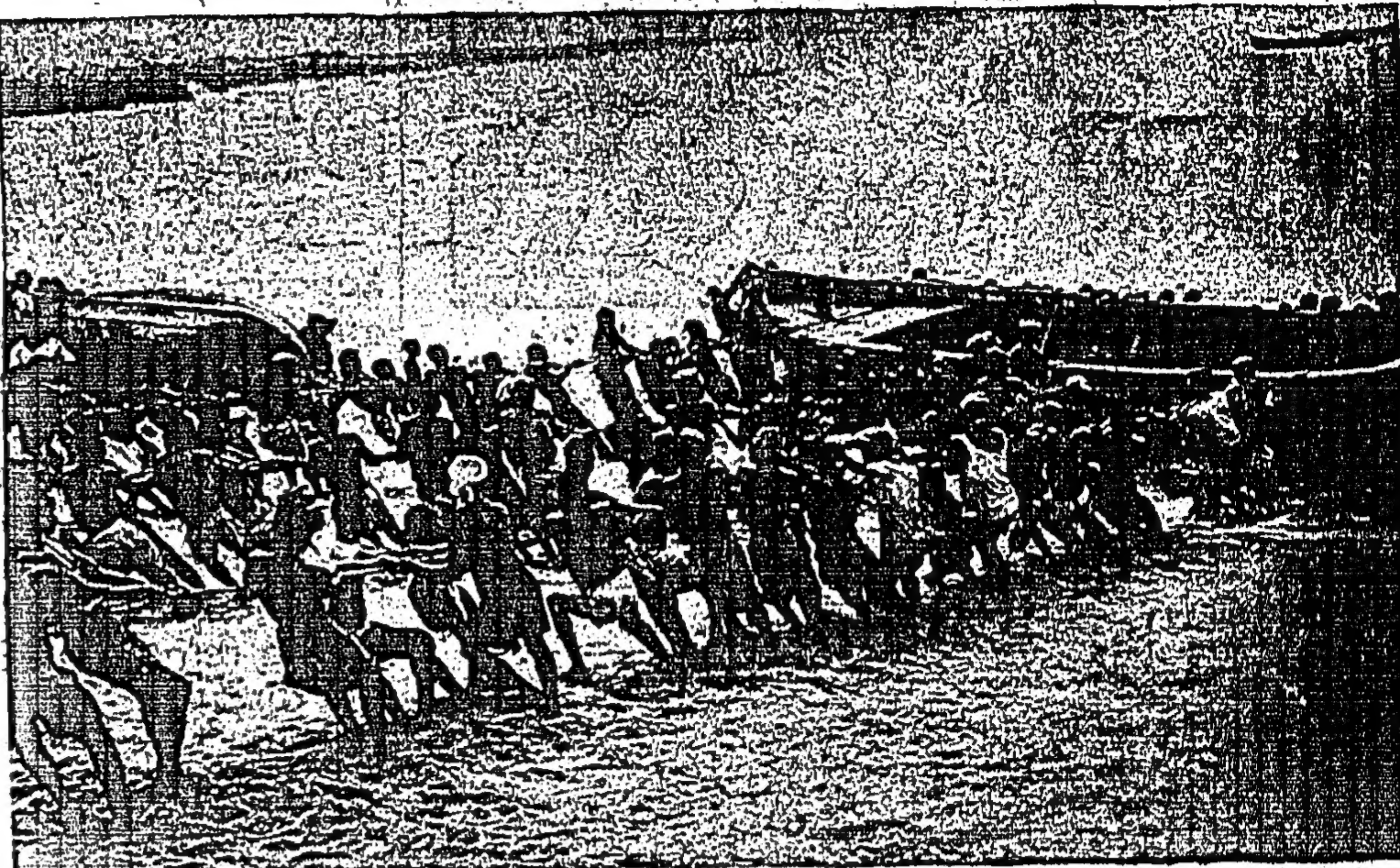
CHINESE PEOPLE'S WAR

"It seems to me that all nations should take their hats off to China," remarked Dr. Carlos Romulo, publisher and editor-in-chief of the DMHM chain of newspapers in the Philippines, in Kunming.

Dr. Romulo said that China has found her soul in Chungking, and no matter what the physical hardships, trials and tribulations are, China's soul is deathless and invincible.

"You cannot be in Chungking," added the Filipino journalist, "without sensing it is really the people's war, and you cannot see the torment of the Chinese people without sensing their patriotism and unity. When you talk to the man-in-the-street you find he is using the same language that is as violently anti-aggression as the educated Chinese."

Dr. Romulo said he was convinced that China has staying power. "China has morale, unity, patriotism and the spirit of sacrifice. These intangible things in the long run will count favourably in the people's struggle, left Chungking with a feeling of admiration. The Chinese people are peace-loving, and yet when the hour struck and the mettle of the nation was put to the test, Chinese courage has not been found wanting." — Central News.



SUPPLIES FOR OUR WEST AFRICAN FORCES—Owing to the ravages of the Tsetse Fly it is impossible to breed or rear cattle in many parts of Africa but in some of the Tsetse belts, thanks to the West African Army Service Corps, our troops still have fresh meat. Cattle are shipped from other parts of Africa and slaughtered on reaching the supply depot in the infected areas. On some parts of the West Coast cattle have to be brought ashore by means of surf boats—and this is no easy task. At the end of the day's work it is all hands to the ropes to bring the surf boats up the beach.

DO FICTITIOUS NAMES HIDE LEADING NAZIS?

(By Alexander H. Williams)

UNDERGROUND REPORTS, never authenticated and never satisfactorily disposed of, that Fritz Thyssen, who aided in bringing Adolf Hitler from obscurity to power, and others who loom big in the Nazi hierarchy, have large sums of money cached in the United States, were given front-page publicity in New York.

They follow a letter by Knight Woolley, a member of the banking house of Brown Brothers Harriman & Co., asking the advice of William R. White, New York State Banking Commissioner, whether members of his firm should resign from the Board of Directors of the Union Banking Corporation.

Mr. Woolley raised the question of whether the banking house of Vooor Handel en Scheepvaart might be a Netherlands institution or whether it is, in fact, a German institution masquerading under a Dutch name.

"My partners have been giving serious consideration to withdrawing from the Board," Mr. Woolley said in his letter to Mr. White. "Should the United States enter the war, they feel they might be under some embarrassment because of their connection with the bank even though we have no financial interest in the Union Banking Corporation, nor do we participate in its earnings. They act as directors merely as a matter of business courtesy."

Mr. Woolley, in sketching briefly the background of their connection with the Union Banking Corporation, said W. A. Harriman was in Europe in 1925 and met Thyssen. At one of their meetings, Mr. Woolley said, Mr. Thyssen told Mr. Harriman he was forming a bank in New York to look after his interests in the United States and asked Mr. Harriman to serve on the Board.

Mr. Harriman, Mr. Woolley continued, agreed that certain of his associates would serve in that capacity, and as a result, members of the Harriman organisations and now of Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. have been on the Board ever since.

Thyssen Out Of Favour

"To the best of my knowledge," Mr. Woolley said, "Mr. Thyssen formed the Bank Vooor Handel en Scheepvaart and presumably controlled that institution. You perhaps have read in the newspapers that Fritz Thyssen is no longer in Germany, and it has been reported

"In view of these uncertainties, together with the censorship affecting communications to and from Rotterdam, I realise that the Union Bank Corporation might be placed in an embarrassing position if all the directors were to resign at this time."

"I feel sure, however, that you will understand the position of my associates, and I will greatly appreciate a frank expression from you as to the action you feel they should take. Should you believe that the interests of the banking department would be best served by their continuing as directors until the situation abroad has been somewhat clarified, I know that they will be glad to be guided by your judgment, and I will greatly appreciate your opinion as to what action, if any, should be taken by my associates."

Cornelis Lievense, President of the Union Banking Corporation, said he did not know who owned the \$3,000,000 listed as the Bank's assets. The parent institution, he added, has been bombed out of existence.

For many months reports have been going the rounds that Nazi and Fascist chieftains had provided for their future by depositing large sums of money in American banks under fictitious names. It has been impossible to confirm these reports or to get anything like an authoritative denial of them.

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PERSIAN TRIBESMEN AFTER THE EX-SHAH'S BLOOD

A CONVOY CONTAINING the Italian Legation staff in Teheran and some women and children who have finally decided not to accompany the Germans, is due to leave the Iran capital to-day and will probably be diverted via Baghdad owing to the congestion on the road taken by the Germans.

Four active Italian agents are being held in Teheran while the question of the disposal of the remaining 350 Italians in Iran is being discussed.

It is learned the Germans are being sent by ship to India and may later be sent on to Australia.

An account has reached Teheran of how, when the Russians were advancing from the north-west on Iran, the German staff at the blind school at Tabriz, on the Russians' path, locked the doors of the school leaving children and adults inside without food or water.

The school was discovered accidentally two days later when medical help had to be rushed to the inmates.

The whereabouts of the ex-Shah is not known but it is believed he is in the neighbourhood of Isfahan.

Threat To Shah

The police are taking precautions against the tribesmen of southern Persia who are now stalking the Shah, intent on taking revenge.

It is stated he will soon be sent out of Iran, probably further eastward, where he will be allowed to remain at liberty.

British headquarters have been established in the British summer Legation in the hills some five miles to the north of Teheran.

The capital is now almost entirely ringed by British and Russian troops.—Reuter.

M.P. GOES HAYMAKING

Mr. George Hicks, 61-year-old Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Works, was worried. Every day when he walked from his office to the Houses of Parliament he saw the waist-high grass in Parliament Square growing higher, more unkempt, unsightly.

Mr. Hicks decided that a little time could be taken from the war effort to tidy up the front view of the Mother of Parliaments; so he arranged for the parks superintendent to have the grass cut.

One morning on his way to the House Mr. Hicks saw two men with scythes hard at work. He joined them, took over one of the scythes, and went haymaking himself.

BOGUS AIR ACE LED PROCESSION

A FILM SHOWING HIM LEADING A PROCESSION WAS MENTIONED WHEN AIR-CRAFTMAN TELEPRINTER DENNIS GILL, 19, OF BEECHWOOD AVENUE, WAKEFIELD, ADMITTED AT A COURT-MARTIAL THAT HE HAD WORN IN MAY AN OFFICER'S UNIFORM AND DECORATIONS TO WHICH HE WAS NOT ENTITLED.

Gill, it was stated, was approached by a W.V.S. organiser to speak at a Ladies' Day meeting during a Yorkshire War Week and made "an extremely good speech."

He joined the R.A.F. hoping to fly, and felt bad when he saw he was not getting on as fast as some of his friends.

The Court's decision will be made known later.

SHE TRIED TO BRIBE ARMY

Jean Larmour, of Ballycarrickmaddy, Mageragall, Lisburn, collapsed in the dock and was sentenced at Belfast to six months' imprisonment and fined £500 for offering bribes to Army officers.

The jury found her guilty on ten counts, but asked the Judge to show leniency "as she did not realise the seriousness of her actions."

Lord Justice Babington told Larmour he did not believe she was a novice.

Probably she was a tool, but she was a menace.

TIRED OF WODEHOUSE

SHEFFIELD LIBRARIES COMMITTEE AND CASSANDRA THINK ALIKE ABOUT P. G. WODEHOUSE AND HIS BROADCASTS FOR THE NAZIS.

The Committee will buy no more Wodehouse books. Many borrowers are returning the books declaring that they will read no more.

Alderman J. Hawnt, chairman of the Committee, told the "Daily Mirror": "The decision will operate until Wodehouse substantiates his claim to be a Briton."

Wodehouse is giving weekly broadcast talks over the German radio.

ANOTHER RAID IN SUEZ AREA

"Bombs were dropped on the Suez Canal area in the course of an air raid early this morning," states a Ministry of the Interior communique issued at Cairo yesterday.

"Three people were injured but the damage done was insignificant. Alerts were sounded in Cairo and several provinces."—Reuter.

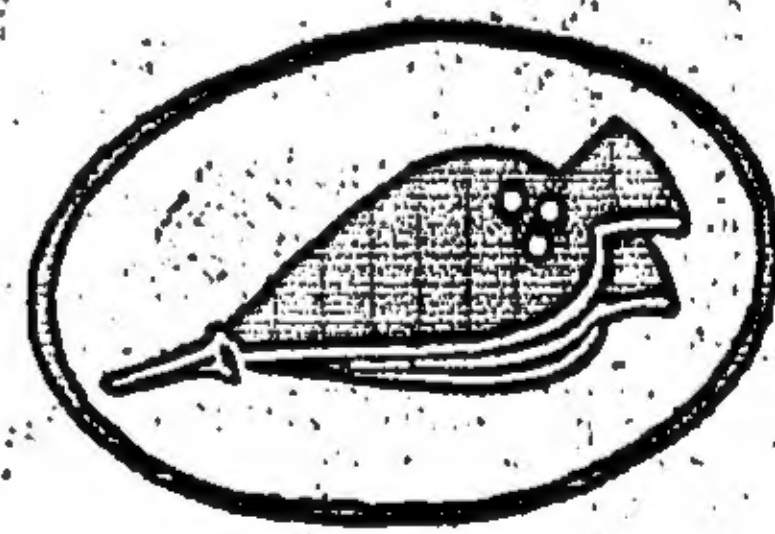
MENACE OF GERMANS REMOVED

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Iran)

With the despatch from Teheran of about another 130 Germans yesterday, Iran will be rid of the most dangerous Fifth Columnists and saboteurs.

About 250 further German men remain to be rounded up, but most of them are comparatively harmless. A British doctor yesterday examined the German sick in bed, and most of them appear to be suffering from excessive fat and high blood pressure.

A certain number of German Jews and Austrians will be allowed to remain in Teheran, as also the greater part of the Czech community, numbering about 200, who will be extremely useful in connection with transporting supplies to Russia.—Reuter.



FELLOWSHIP OF THE BELLOWS

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TWINS A PROBLEM FOR W.A.A.F.

TIRED OF BEING MISTAKEN FOR EACH OTHER MAY AND JUNE SAUNDERS, 20, OF STIRCHLEY, BIRMINGHAM, BLUE-EYED CANADIAN TWINS, WENT TO JOIN THE W.A.A.F.

But at the recruiting office their likeness started an argument among the staff who were enrolling them.

They are identical, even to a tooth missing in the right side of the mouth.

"I am the elder by fifteen minutes," May told the "Daily Mirror." "We have never been separated."

"We have been working in a factory together at Bournville. I was often ticked off for what my sister had done."

"The only difference between us is that June has a boy and I have not."

"He is a sailor, and is the only one who can distinguish us, but then he can only tell us by our walk and then he has to be behind us."

"We shall probably be separated in the Service."

The twins have both joined as clerks.

She Ignored Wound To Aid Others

WHEN, ONLY a few minutes after having her ankle broken by bomb blast, Dr. Hannah Billig left a Wapping air raid shelter, the regular occupants thought she was on her way to hospital. "Be careful," they called out. "It sounds heavy outside."

And heavy it was. Bombs were falling all around, yet Dr. Hannah — the regulars call her "Lady Billig" — carried on — not to hospital but to give treatment to victims of the bomb which had broken her ankle.

For four hours she worked dealing with "her patients," taking no notice of the pain of her ankle or the bombs which fell within 20 yards of her. Then, her work finished, she went to hospital.

For the first time the shelter regulars learned of "Lady Billig's" heroism when the "London Gazette" announced that she had been awarded the George Medal.

Two other doctors, Captain Hugh Miller, of Hebburn-on-Tyne, and Dr. Alison Jean McNairn, also receive the George Medal for raid heroism.

Dr. Miller crawled through a tunnel to aid people who had been

trapped when a Yorkshire town was bombed.

He succeeded in saving a number of folks although there was an unexploded bomb 10 yards away.

Heroic Nurse

The Gazette also announced the award of the George Medal to Probationer Nurse Joan Naderson, of Knightsbridge Emergency Hospital, Glasgow, one of a team summoned to render medical aid to injured men trapped in a basement shelter.

"Nurse Naderson crawled under debris to administer morphine and stimulants to the casualties and did this throughout the night, although the building was in a dangerous state and bombs falling close by," stated the Gazette.

"On one occasion she had to be held by the feet while she made her way through the wreckage."

Fire-watcher Edward Saunders, of Stanley Street, Hull won the British Empire Medal for preventing a serious fire.

He stood on a tank of varnish, chopped his way through to the roof above and knocked an incendiary bomb to the ground.

PARENTS WED AGAIN

Jacqueline King, 12, will be bridesmaid when her mother and father re-marry after being divorced two years ago.

Her mother Mollie Hallowell, well-known pantomime principal boy, at present appearing in a Chester revue, will re-marry Mr. Charles Henry King, personal manager to Evelyn Laye, who will be one of the guests.

Miss Laye's husband, Mr. Frank Lawton, will be best man at the wedding at Chester.

"We were divorced two years ago," Miss Hallowell told the "Daily Mirror," "but had been living apart for ten years."

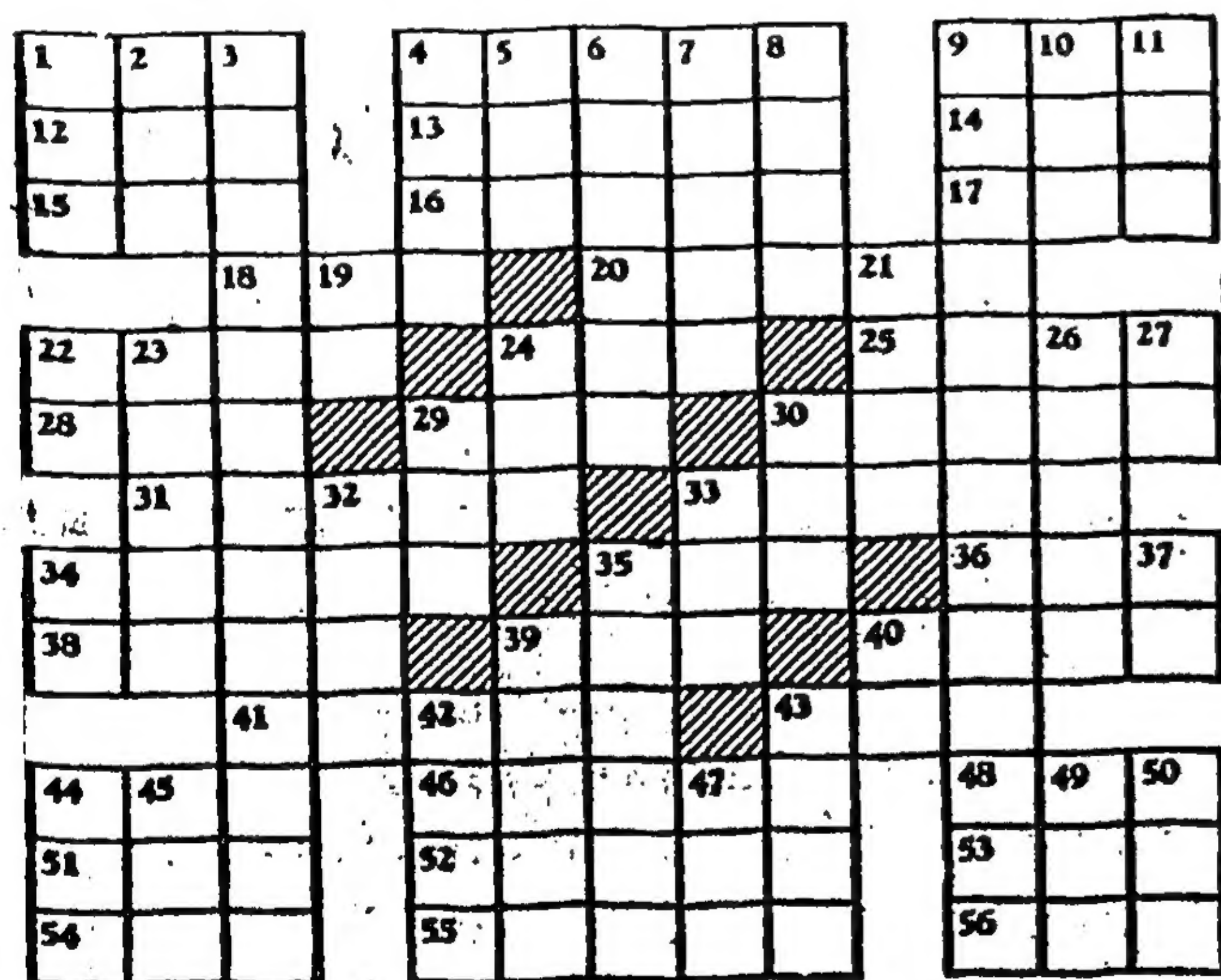
"Last month Charles wrote to tell me that he intended joining the Forces, and suggesting a meeting. He came to see me at Worcester and after a happy reunion we agreed to make it up and re-marry."

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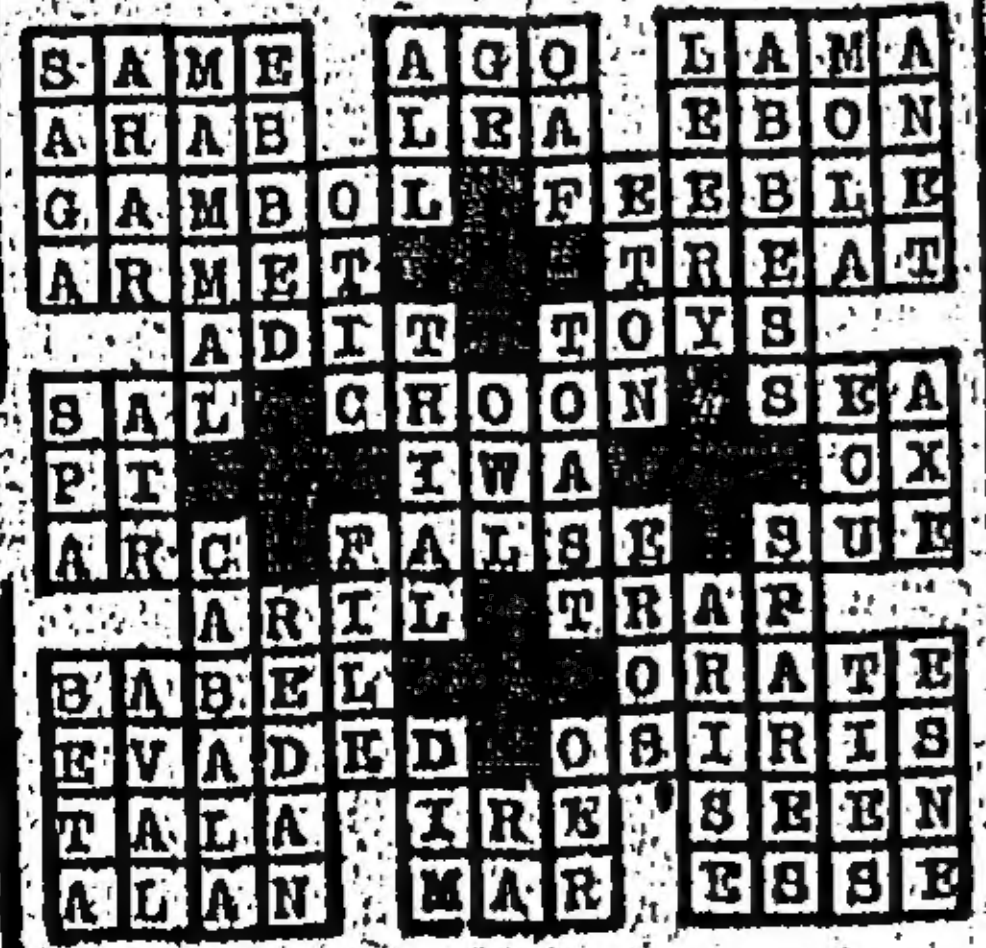
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- 10 To polish
- 11 Affirmative vote
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- 21 Part of the eye
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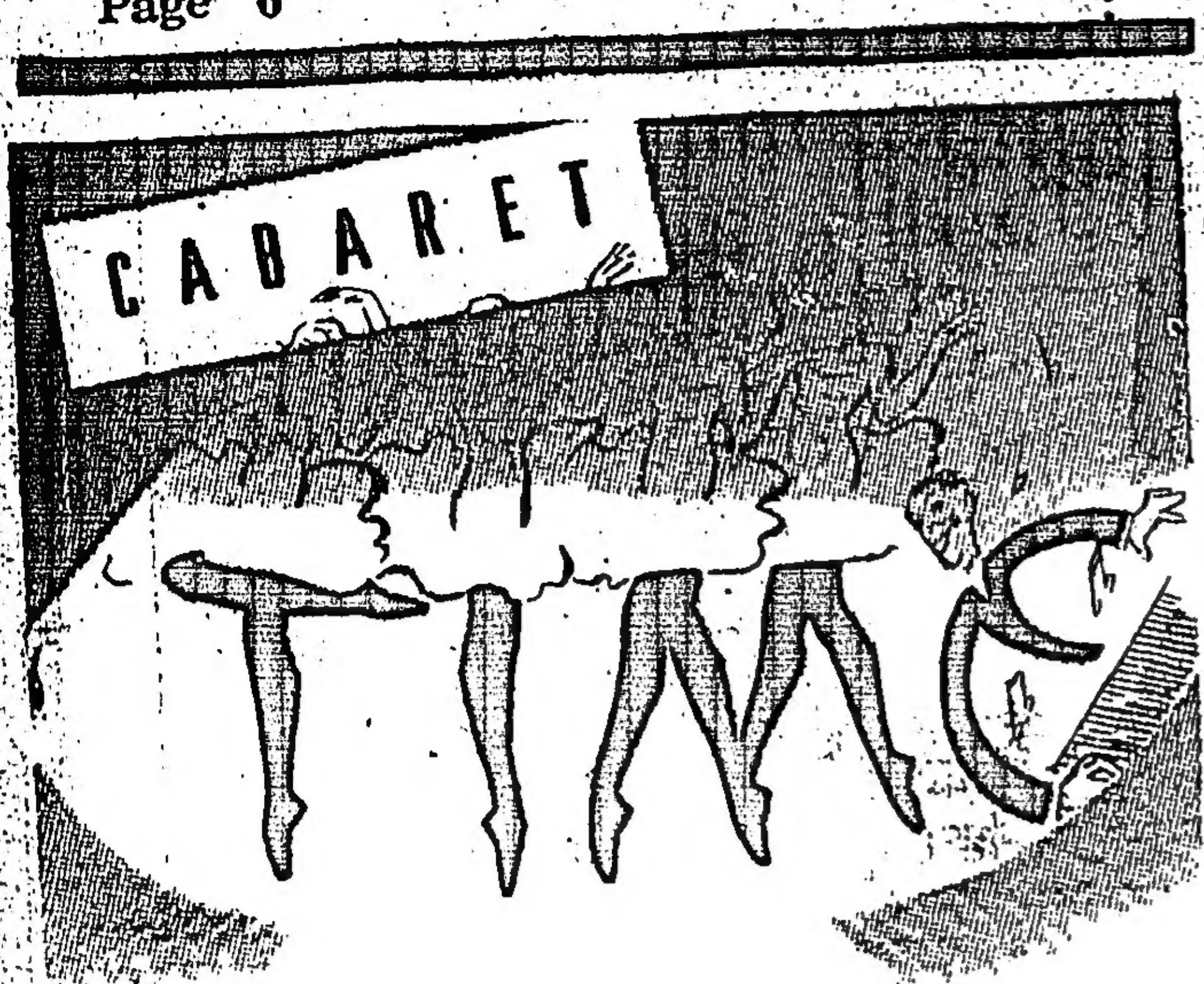
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GAVE LOVER OF DEAD GIRL A GUN

COMMANDER ALLISTAIR SHAND CUMMING, A SUBMARINE EXPERT EMPLOYED BY VICKERS-ARMSTRONGS AND HEAD OF THE FIRM'S A.R.P. SERVICES AT BARROW-IN-FURNESS, WAS FOUND DEAD WITH A REVOLVER IN HIS HAND.

A woman said to be passionately in love with him killed herself in 1934. At the inquest on the woman her father told the coroner:

DANGER TO TURKS IS OVER SAYS VICHY

The danger of Turkey being involved, willingly or otherwise, in the European conflict, is now removed, diplomatic observers in Vichy stated.

This opinion prevails in most quarters here despite the many arguments over the question of Turkey's eventual participation in the war.

Diplomatic observers point out that Germany's objective in the Caucasus could be reached by three different routes: through southern Russia, through Turkish territory, and through the Black Sea.

Bound to Great Britain by a military alliance and desirous of maintaining her neutral stand, Turkey is not likely to offer free passage across her territory to the German forces. To try and force her way through Turkey would thus mean for the Reich to run the risk of a war with Turkey, who could be aided more speedily and effectively by British troops now established in Iran.

A Passage To Black Sea

As for a possible passage through the Black Sea, this question seems the only one to have been seriously discussed. It is conditioned by the Montreux Treaty of July 20, 1936, the provisions of which regarding the Dardanelles Straits cover peacetime and wartime periods. In the latter case the clauses are different should Turkey be a belligerent or a non-belligerent.

If a belligerent, Turkey must allow the naval forces of powers who signed a mutual assistance pact with her within the framework of the League of Nations Covenant to pass through the Straits. The Montreux Treaty also specifies what should be the balance of naval forces in the Black Sea. These two items make Turkey the arbiter of navigation in that sea.

Britain, as a signatory of the Montreux Treaty, could force Turkey into the war if the latter were to allow Germany full freedom of action in the Black Sea.

For the time being, it is not believed that Germany will attempt to reach the Caucasus by means other than an attack through southern Russia.

GUARANTEE TO FINNS POSSIBLE

"I HAVE BEEN AUTHORISED TO STATE THAT, IF FINLAND LAYS DOWN HER ARMS, IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR HER TO OBTAIN SUITABLE GUARANTEES FOR HER FRONTIERS AND ASSISTANCE IN HER TASK OF ECONOMIC RECONSTRUCTION."

Mr. George Gibson, chairman of the British Trade Unions Con-

"I am going to say a serious thing. I handed that revolver, as I held her in my arms, to Commander Cumming. I thought that perhaps he would need it himself. "My daughter preferred death to dishonour. I thought he might like to follow her example."

Left A Letter

Commander Cumming had left a letter on his wife's dressing table. When she went to the summerhouse of their home, Arlington House, Abbey Road, Barrow, she found him dead.

Aged forty-seven, a native of Aberdeen, he was twice married, his second wife being the daughter of the late Mr. J. P. Smith, former Mayor of Barrow.

Their eldest child is a girl, aged five. The second child, a son, was born a few months ago.

Mrs. Cumming, 39, is an organiser of the W.V.S. in Barrow. It was in May, 1934 that Commander Cumming gave evidence at an inquest in London on the widow of an Army officer, Mrs. Margaret Elsie Bennett, 36, who killed herself by taking a drug.

"Passionately In Love"

Her father told the coroner; "Commander Cumming said to me: 'She has taken something. She has a loaded revolver in her hand.'"

Commander Cumming told the coroner that he and Mrs. Bennett were not engaged, but that "she was passionately in love with him."

"She had asked me to marry her," he said. "I told her I was not going to marry her and that I had just recently become engaged."

Describing the case as a love tragedy, the coroner recorded a verdict that the woman killed herself while of unsound mind.

USSR WOMEN CALL BRITAIN

"Give us your hand, women of Britain," appeals the well-known Soviet film actress, Liudov Orlova, in a Moscow weekly film magazine.

"Our hearts go out to you, women of Britain, in these days of war," she writes.

"We remind ourselves with admiration of your stoicism in the past long months of the Battle of Britain."

"These deadly days called forth all the stubbornness and courage of the women of Britain."

"In hospitals, at factory benches, in the fields and in self-defence, groups of women of the Soviet Union are unselfishly working."

WHAT, ANOTHER?

Goering has been handed the Grand Cross of the Finnish Order of the White Rose by the Finnish Minister.

gress, stated this in a press interview in Stockholm. Mr. Gibson has been invited by the Swedish Labour to attend the Congress of Swedish unions taking place at present at Stockholm.

GIRL WROTE IN LATIN—CENSOR APPROVES

The South African censor raised his eyebrows when he came across a letter in Latin to her aunt by a former Rand schoolgirl now in U.S.

He passed the letter, adding a note commenting on the small number of errors in Latin. — Associated Press.

"GIVE A.T.S. PANTIES"

Panties and cosmetics should be guaranteed for A.T.S. girls as an inducement to recruits, says the Mayor of Brighton, Alderman J. Talbot Nanson.

Speaking at the opening of Brighton's women's war work week, he said the question of panties was important, but it had been settled satisfactorily in Canada.

"More girls would be encouraged to join if the method of the Canadian A.T.S. were followed of allowing the recruits three guineas for their panties and eighteen shillings every three months for cosmetics," he said.

An A.T.S. recruiting officer told the "Daily Mirror": "Each recruit is issued with a set of underclothes and they are really nice, but the girls are not obliged to use them, and they may wear their own if they wish."

WON'T FIGHT SOVIET

No one volunteered in a Nazi recruiting campaign in Holland to obtain volunteers against the Soviet, says Soviet War News.

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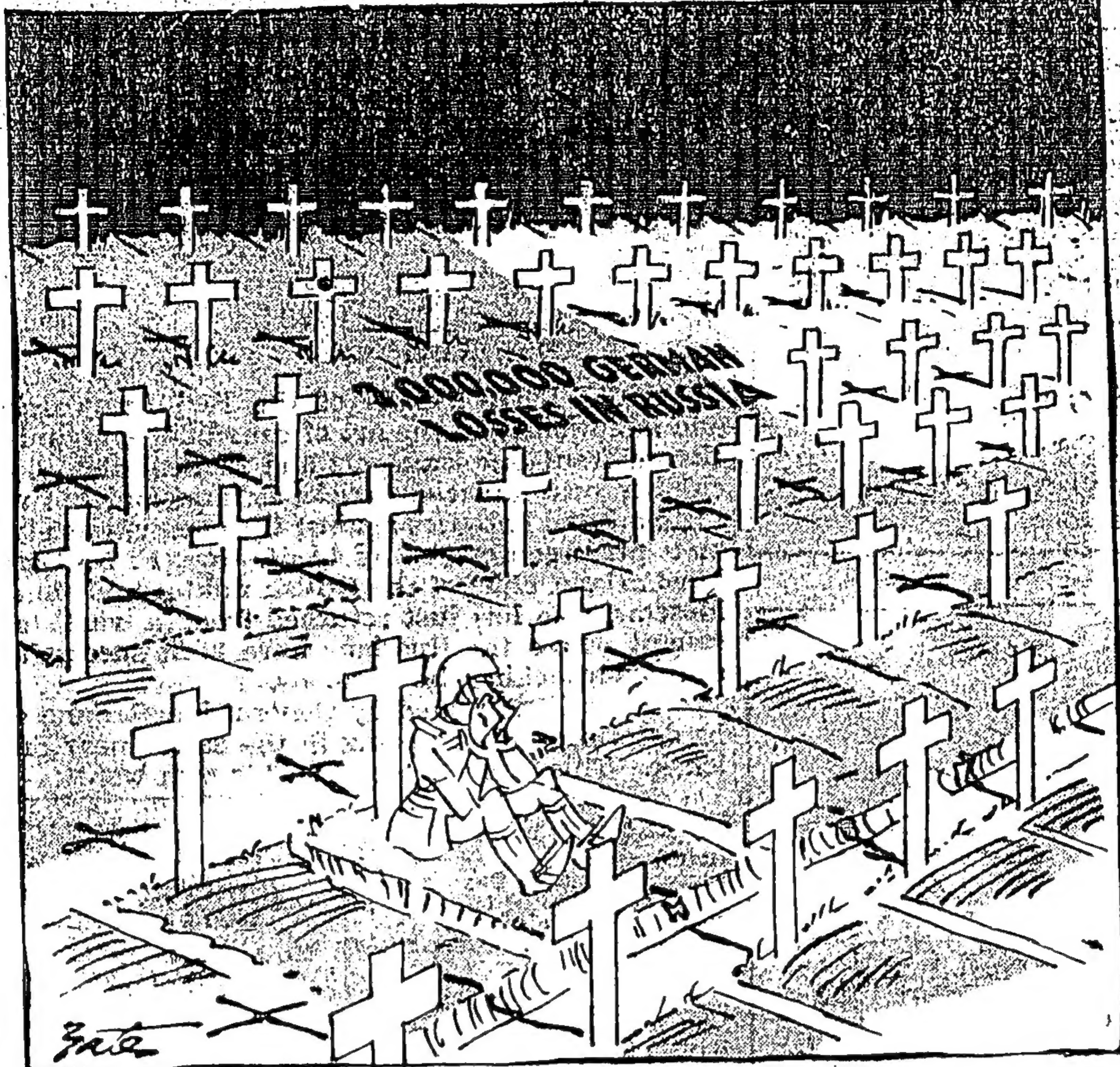
THE NEW REIGN OF TERROR

The arrests and executions in France evoke scenes from the Paris Commune of 1871 and the Reign of Terror of a century and a half ago.

The original Reign of Terror was confined to Paris and a few of the French provinces. Today's Reign of Terror has spread over the whole of Europe and reached into Africa and Asia. For the arrests and executions in Paris can only remind us once again of the true state of affairs in every city and land under the Nazi heel. They remind us that Hitler's New Order everywhere rests on fear, and on fear alone. There is no real acceptance of it, no willing co-operation with it, among the masses of the peoples it enslaves. The only "collaboration" they give is the collaboration of the citizen who turns his money and watch over to a gangster to save himself from a blow by a blackjack. In some cases, unfortunately, it is the collaboration of men who betray their friends in the hope of saving their own necks.

The heads of subject states can no doubt be forced to talk constantly of collaboration. They may even believe that they achieve some temporary advantage not only for themselves but for their countries by playing this ignominious role. But their own statements reveal that the collaboration they advocate with their conquerors and against their former allies is not supported by their own peoples. Marshal Petain has repeatedly admitted by implication that his course does not have this support. He declares that he "hopes to get it." Meanwhile he is forced to announce that "either one is for me or against me." He is forced to demand oaths of allegiance to himself, to threaten and order the arrest of those who oppose his policy, and to silence opposition by force. He has admitted openly that French "public opinion has not always been favourable" to Admiral Darlan. That both in Vichy and in Paris opposition can be put down only by the increasing use of force is a sign of the growing strength of that opposition.

In Paris the German and French Nazis resort to their usual trick of attributing all acts of sabo-



"WASN'T IT LEBENSRAUM DER FUEHRER PROMISED US?"

Under-Sea Warfare

In spite of all recent applications of science to warfare, the work of the submarine crews remains one of the most hazardous duties which fall to the fighting forces.

Much has been done since the Great War to improve the efficiency of the submarine and to safeguard the personnel, but what science bestows on the vessel with one hand is taken away with the other, for the search for more and better anti-submarine devices goes on continuously. Apparatus to aid in locating under-sea craft has much improved since 1918. Ways and means of destroying the submarine, when located, are more numerous and more reliable than they were 22 years ago.

On both the offensive and defensive sides of submarine warfare each maritime nation has its secrets, jealously guarded. The completeness with which those secrets are kept has, of course, a considerable bearing upon the success with which a particular submarine force operates, for once the secret is out, scientific research

tage to Jews, and the reverse trick of calling all opponents of the regime Jews. In fact, the Eleventh Arondissement, where the bulk of the arrests have been made, is a radical district but not one with a large Jewish population. No doubt it contains Communists who were unwilling to fight for France when France was armed more than a year ago, but are willing to fight now because of the reversal of German relations with Communist Russia.

Whatever else the Paris arrests and executions mean, they prove once more, if proof were needed, that the unified Europe of which Hitler boasts is a myth. Wherever the New Order has penetrated it has brought impoverishment, hatred, disease and starvation. There will be re-

volt within it wherever there is even a glimmer of hope that revolt can be successful.

is not long in finding the right antidote to it.

Even so, the successful operation of submarines depends to no small extent upon the ingenuity of the Commander. Without skill and resource in tactics, the courage of the crews and the scientific perfection of the equipment may count for little. Here again secrecy is vitally important.

Thus it happens that while the submarine is of enormous interest to the layman, it is easier for him to learn the secrets of the

By A Special Correspondent

Arctic wastes and the African bush, than to glean much about the craft that break the surface of the water only a few miles, may be, from his home.

Even the early history of under-sea craft is wrapped in mystery. The seventeenth century had its submarine, a vessel which is said to have been propelled below the surface of the Thames by twelve oarsmen. Various inventors and sailors were fascinated by the idea, but it was not until the American Civil War that history affords us the spectacle of a ship, the Housatonic, sunk by a submarine.

Even that remained something of an eccentricity until the early years of the present century and the improvement of the internal combustion engine. Then France gave a lead with a whole class of what would be regarded to-day as very small submarines, with a displacement of 400 tons as against the 2,000 tons which is common among the larger under-water craft of to-day.

Oddly, perhaps, the largest naval power in the world, Britain, was not an eager exploiter of the submarine in those days, though competition, of course, obliged her to keep abreast of developments. And only eight years ago, at Geneva, Britain, by her delegate, Sir John Simon, proposed the abolition of the submarine. He admitted that Britain would benefit by the banning of submarines, but he based his advocacy on ethical grounds. The ban would be an example of disarmament which every country would understand. Moreover, he added, the skill and gallantry which are involved in this dangerous service are no justification for its continuance.

But that was only one of the many abortive pleas heard at Geneva. When the present war broke out, the chief naval forces of the world were all well provided with under-water craft.

Nevertheless, the submarine arm does not lend itself to rapid expansion, like the air army. Submarines can never be built by mass-production methods. But a more important restriction is the

difficulty of finding the right type of men to operate the vessels. Of all fighting men, the good submarine sailor is "hand-picked."

Aptitude on the technical side is not enough. Each man must have certain qualities of character which best him for team work in a task wherein the lives of all the crew—which may number as many as sixty—may depend upon the presence of mind of one of its members, and he not the most highly placed, by all means. The responsibility borne by each man is considerable.

Physical fitness is essential, for although the conditions of life are no more unhealthy than they are in a coal mine, work in a confined space where air is precious and may become foul at times, demands a good constitution.

There must also be, to a marked degree, in the submariner, mental alertness and equable temper. In stuffy conditions the mind does not naturally do its best work and tempers can easily become frayed. Submarine crews must have the mental equipment that can rise above those human tendencies.

Then, of course, come the technical qualifications, which cannot be acquired by hasty instruction.

Thus, in submarine warfare, then, are distinct limits to the volume of offensive action which can be expected. Moreover, expansion may prove disillusioning. If anti-submarine devices gain the ascendancy, experienced crews are destroyed at a faster rate than new crews can be picked and trained; thus the process of reinforcement may be likened to pouring fluid into a barrel which is leaking badly.

Meantime, even though counter-submarine activity may be enjoying ascendancy, there is always the possibility of the daring commander penetrating some mine-defended area and, like a wolf in the fold, wreaking heavy destruction before counter-measures can be taken.

Such an exploit is the kind of operation of which every submarine commander dreams. A German U-boat had that fortune when she penetrated the defences of Scapa and sank the Royal Oak, an exploit to whose daring even Mr. Churchill was constrained to pay tribute. Similarly, the British "baby" submarine, Ursula (540 tons) showed the same audacity and skill in diving under the destroyers and mine-fields of the Elbe and torpedoing a 6,000 tons cruiser.

These are the exploits which appeal to the men of the submarine service. The process of sending merchant vessels and passenger ships to the bottom leaving their personnel to fend for themselves, is a task which, to brave men, is rather like a sportsman shooting tame rabbits, and affords them no satisfaction.

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SOVIET ARMY SHOWS GREAT ELAN

SOME INDICATION of the Red Army's skill and adaptability in the art of camouflage, organisation of front-line transport and tactical al lity, including such audacious tricks as immediately turning captured batteries against the enemy, was given at a press conference by Lieut. Gen. F. N. Mason MacFarlane, chief of the British military mission to Moscow, who has just returned from a visit to a salient where the Russians have been successfully counter-attacking the Germans.

The salient visited by General MacFarlane can be described only as being in the sector near Smolensk. This is his account, in his own words:

"I went up and saw a division still in the process of carrying out a successful attack which had started more than twenty-four hours previously. The previous day it had advanced to a depth of about fifteen kilometres (more than nine miles) and the attack was still in progress.

"The division had captured several German field batteries. One battery had been captured by Russian tanks and infantry. Three guns had been rammed and smashed by tanks. Only one intact gun was left. In front of it was a Russian tank with its turret blown in, and the Russians had already buried the crew of the tank right beside it. It made a dramatic picture—the solitary gun, the ruined tank, the row of neat graves.

Captured Cannon Used

"The Russians were already using the German guns against the enemy, ramming in captured shells. There was a good deal of sporadic shelling by both sides all the time, and it warmed up during the evening.

"As a reply to the rather astronomical German claims about the tanks and planes they have destroyed, I may say that I saw large numbers of Russian tanks in this area and I saw more Russian aeroplanes in the skies than German.

"The men were looking very hard and fit, and obviously were well fed. They had got their tails right up. Every lot that I saw seemed to be what I should call a happy show. There were very good relations all around and everywhere one got the impression of very deep-rooted universal hatred of what they called the Fascists.

"I was very struck with their horses, which are mostly used in transport. They are very little, hard, wiry horses, doing their stuff frightfully well and obviously well looked after.

"Then I must mention the smooth way in which all their rear organisations, such as supply, are going on. It was striking. A very good standard of driving and good traffic control were evident, and there were very few breakdowns. In the evening soup kitchens rolled up to the front, steaming, with dinner.

Army Girls Near Front

"I saw several army girls in uniform, wearing boots, dark-blue skirts and the army blouse. They were as far forward as advanced divisional headquarters and were doing all sorts of things. One was a medical, one was a telegraphist, another was a motor driver, another was a clerk with an air force unit.

"The medical girl was one I saw forward, and she was an extraordinarily stout kid. Only 20. She had spent the day before under fire, helping the wounded get back.

"The country is very striking—rather like Salisbury Plain, only with very large patches of ten-foot-high scrub and a certain amount of forest. The Russians are unusually good at concealment. You would go along a patch of scrub and just catch something out of the corner of your eye, then find it full of men and stuff completely hidden from view.

"Once you get off the main road you are either driving in a blinding cloud of dust or, when it rains, you are sliding about in a good imitation of marmalade.

"From the moment I left Moscow to the moment I got back, I did not see a single sign of refugees anywhere, and I imagine they are told to stay on. After the vivid memories of Belgium and France, this was most heartening."

LOOKS FOR CHINESE "COFFIN TREE"

Mr. A. Kingdom Ward, a botanist who has spent many years in China and has taken to England from that country hundreds of varieties of flowers and plants, spoke to the Singapore Rotary Club of his quest for the Chinese "coffin tree."

His interest in Chinese coffins was first aroused when, during a visit to Canton, he saw an unusual coffin in the Hall of the Dead. It was not until some 25 years later that he was taken to a remote site, reached only after a difficult journey, where grew the magnificent Chinese coffin tree, towering about other trees. The sight, said Mr. Kingdom Ward, was worth the inconveniences and discomforts he had experienced during the journey. The wood from his coffin tree went to make expensive Chinese coffins.

In the West, he said, it was the cost of living which caused concern; in China it was the cost of dying.

PILOT'S £1,000 THANK-OFFERING

An R.A.F. pilot officer has sent a cheque for £1,000 to the Lord Mayor of London's National Air Raid Distress Fund "in gratitude for the miraculous escape of his bomber crew in a recent raid on Hamburg."

Altogether men and women in the Services have contributed £23,429 to the fund.

NOWT ABOUT OWT

"We've nowt of owt worth owt" was displayed on a notice outside a Harrogate boot shop.

SHORT CUT TO A MEDAL

Bernard Cannon, of Bolton, wanted to join the Navy. But they wouldn't take him quickly enough, so he joined the R.A.F.

Within ten weeks he was flying. Now it has been announced that he has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal. He is a sergeant.

WOMAN LOVED A GOOD TIME

"A good time for herself was more important to Sybil than anything else in life. And I loved her so much. I just could not bear the thought of somebody else making love to her. But that is what happened to-night again; and she said this was going to happen again in future."

This was said to have been written in his diary by Donald Jack Chilvers, 30, fitter, who at Hampshire Assizes was found guilty of stabbing his wife to death after a dance.

He was pronounced insane and ordered to be detained during his Majesty's pleasure.

Dr. Roy Neville Craig, mental specialist, said: "In seventeen or eighteen years, I don't think I have come across a mental stress of greater degree."

Mr. Justice Charles, summing up, said it was clear that the wife had for years tortured her husband. Chilvers said his wife stayed out late and frequented public houses and dances.

CHINESE MARRIAGE POSER IN MALAYA

AS A RESULT of many anxious inquiries as to whether Chinese marriages performed in Singapore in the old-fashioned style without witnesses are recognised by law in Malaya, the Chinese Consulate-General in Singapore has approached the Chungking Foreign Office for direction and advice.

This action has been taken principally because of the decision of a Singapore magistrate that a Chinese marriage performed in the old style had "not been strictly proved."

In the court case, a Chinese, Chew Peng Hong, produced a document as proof of his marriage to a woman named Tang Khlang Eng. He stated they had been married eight years. In March this year, he said, he went to Johore and obtained work. When he returned to Singapore five weeks later, he found his wife and child living with another man, Tay Siak Khoon.

Not Satisfied

Charged with enticing away the woman, Tay Siak Khoon was acquitted without being called upon to give his defence. The magistrate deciding it was unnecessary to continue the case because he was not satisfied that the marriage had been strictly proved.

The marriage certificate pro-

duced was a piece of red paper with gold lettering. There were no witnesses to the certificate, and the complainant could not produce the man who performed the marriage. The proof of marriage failed on the point of witnesses.

An authority on Chinese marriages declared in evidence that in Chinese law marriages must be performed in public before two or more witnesses. A certificate of marriage without attestation by witnesses, the witness declared, did not constitute sufficient proof of marriage.

Many Chinese marriages in Singapore have been performed on a similar informal basis, both parties applying their signatures to a rectangular piece of red paper with no witnesses to support the document.

The Chinese Consulate-General has asked the Chungking Government for instructions as to how such marriages, which are otherwise perfectly proper, can be given the status of legality according to Chinese law.



Young lovers in the summer of 1914; Georgette McKee and Edward Wragge, in this romantic scene from "The Ramparts We Watch," were blissfully unaware of the World War which was soon to separate them. The March of Time's first feature movie, which tells the story of Americans in the World War, is now showing at the King's.

HELL DIVE WINS V.C. FOR PILOT

HELL DIVE on Bremen to 50ft., in which he led his squadron under high-tension cables, carrying away telegraph wires, and through a formidable balloon barrage wins the V.C. for Acting Wing-Commander Hughie Idwal Edwards, D.F.C., of No. 105 Squadron, an Australian.

Although handicapped by an old flying injury, a leg wounded when he baled out in a flight over Britain, he has led many daring attacks on the enemy on land and sea.

60 ILL AT MINISTRY: POISONING

An hour after a canteen lunch, sixty members of the staffs of the Ministry of Transport and the Ministry of Economic Warfare were rushed in ambulances to three London hospitals.

Food poisoning was diagnosed. Fifty-six people were detained, but only one case was regarded as serious.

The hospitals were asked to stand-by for more cases which might take longer to develop. Several girl typists and men collapsed at their desks.

Doctors were hastily summoned. They sent their patients to Charing Cross, Westminster and St. George's Hospitals.

"It was like a battlefield," a Civil Servant told the "Daily Mirror."

"People, mostly women, were flopping out all around."

"Others were running to their aid and carrying them into the corridors and cloak-rooms."

About 300 people eat at the Ministry canteen every day. An investigation is being made.

OFFICERS MUST DIG

By order of the Staff Brigadier-General, officers at the Canadian Headquarters in Britain must "dig for victory."

The order reads, "As officers benefit as well as other ranks from the growing of vegetables every officer below the rank of general staff officer (first grade) will work for one hour a week in the garden."

The War Office told the "Daily Mirror": "It is left to the discretion of the unit commander as to whether officers have to dig, but many officers and unit commanders have worked on these kitchen gardens voluntarily."

LOOTED UNDIES IN CAPTURED NAZI TANK

A large quantity of women's underwear, 240 pairs of stockings and socks, and sixty yards of fine material for dresses, with the name of the Bialistok shop from which they had been stolen, were found by the Russians inside a captured German tank.

The newspaper "Izvestia" publishes a picture of the inside of the tank and says an order was found, issued by Nazi General Guderjahn, Inspector of the Tank Corps, saying that it was not allowed to load tanks and lorries with "all kinds of goods" because they looked like "gipsy band wagons." Such things should be transported separately.

CHURCHILL TANK BEST IN WORLD

Churchill is the name of a new type of heavy infantry tank which is probably the most formidable fighting weapon possessed by any army in the world.

The Prime Minister is one of the very few civilians who have ridden in the type of tank which has been named after him.

He took his seat at the control lever and was astonished at the ease with which the machine could be manoeuvred. Despite its great bulk, it turns round almost with the ease of a taxicab.

The Churchills are being mass produced. They are heavily armoured, giving the maximum of protection to their crews.

Despite their weight, they are able to move over any kind of ground at a startling speed.

Terrific gun power is concentrated in a minimum of space. It is unlikely that many enemy machines exist which could stand up for long to their devastating fire.

His D.F.C., announced earlier this month, was awarded for another hell-dive in which he bombed a ship from mast high.

"Wing Commander Edwards has repeatedly displayed gallantry of the highest order in pressing home bombing attacks from very low heights against strongly defended objectives," an official statement announcing the award said.

Beat His Bad Luck

Twice his luck was out when he led the daylight raid on Bremen.

There were no clouds to cover his approach.

Several enemy ships were sighted. Edwards knew his aircraft would be reported.

Undaunted, he took his formation fifty miles overland to the target, flying at times only 50ft. up.

At Bremen a hail of fire was thrown up by the ground guns. All his aircraft were hit. Four were destroyed.

Despite this, Edwards made a most successful attack.

CHURCHILL CLUB IN BELGIUM

The existence of a "Churchill Club" at Hasselt, in Belgium, has been revealed by a message received in London.

B.B.C. MYSTERY JOB

Mr. A. R. Burrows, B.B.C. Newcastle director, has been transferred to carry out undisclosed special duties at the head offices.

KILLED STUNTING OVER GIRL'S HOUSE

TWO CZECH AIRMEN who were killed when their plane crashed into some houses at Wolverhampton were stated at an inquest to have been circling round very low over a girl friend's house at the time of the accident.

Among their belongings were letters from two Wolverhampton girls, one of whom lived about 150 yards from where the plane was wrecked.

A policeman said he saw the aeroplane diving very near to the houses. Later it crashed on rooftops and exploded and burst into flames. The plane was shattered to pieces.

The two airmen were found in the front gardens of the houses with burning debris all around them.

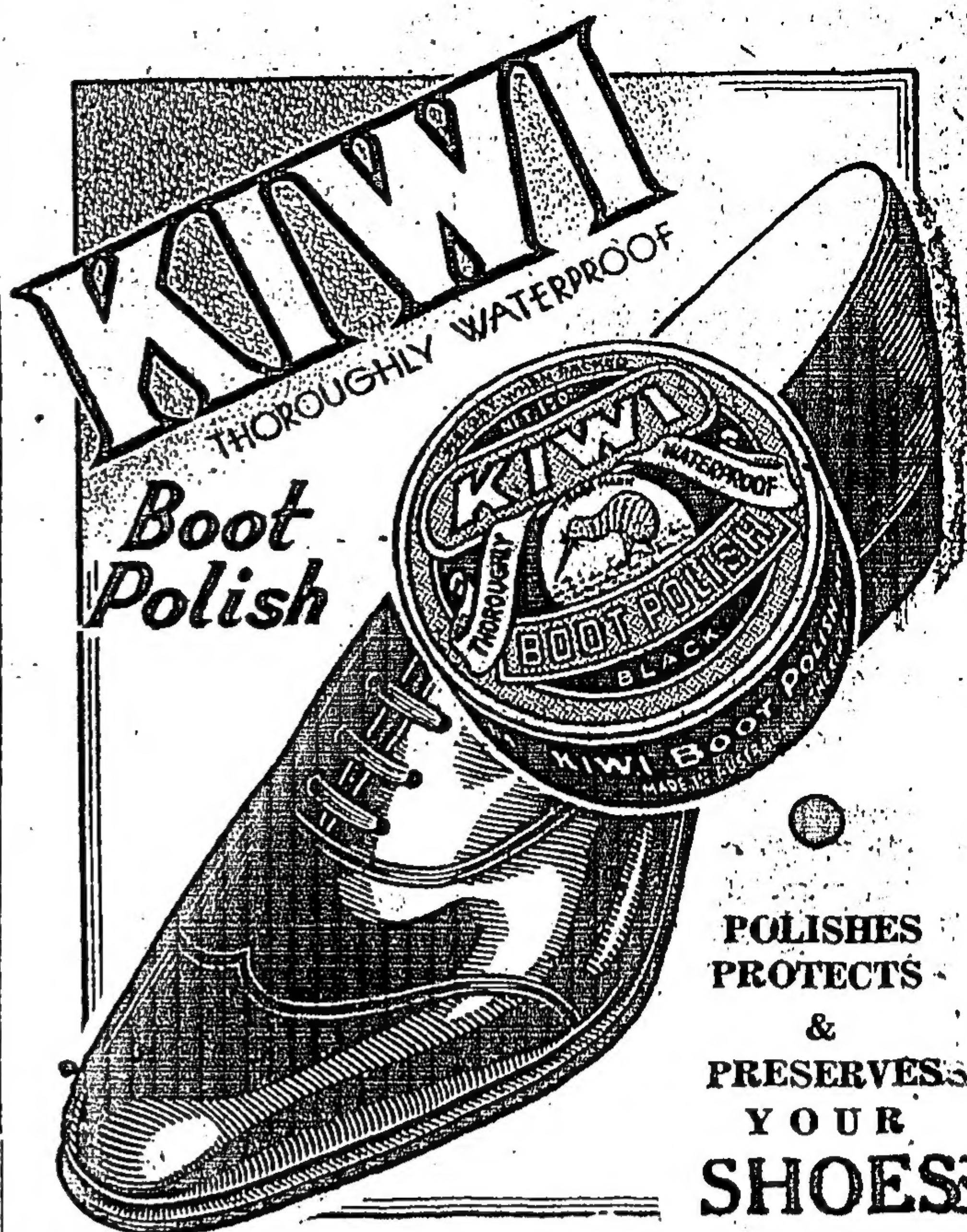
It was stated that the two

Czechs were pupils on an instructional flight.

They were competent to fly the machine, but they had exceeded instructions in the radius they should have covered and in the manner of their flight.

The wing of the machine might have caught an obstruction when banking.

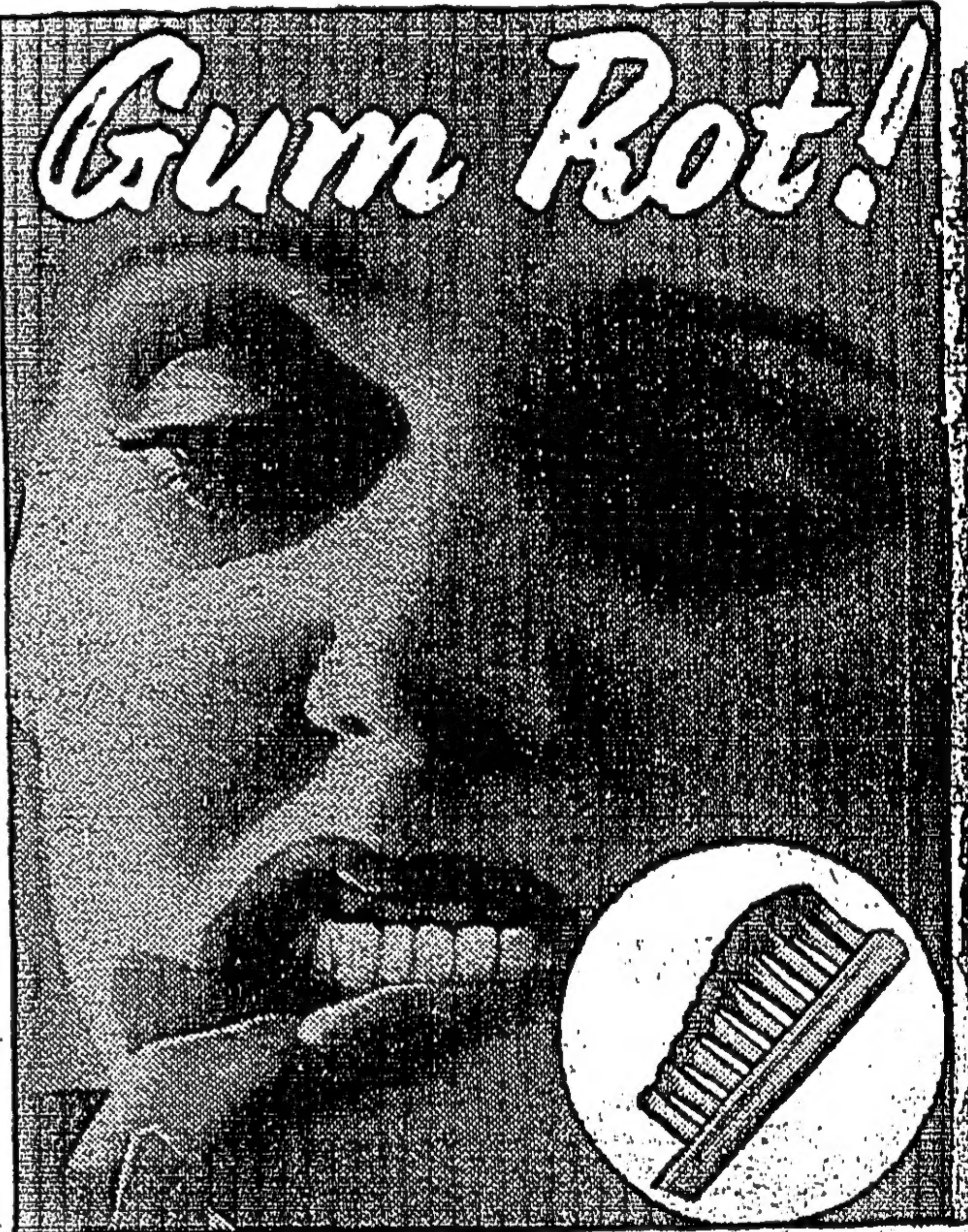
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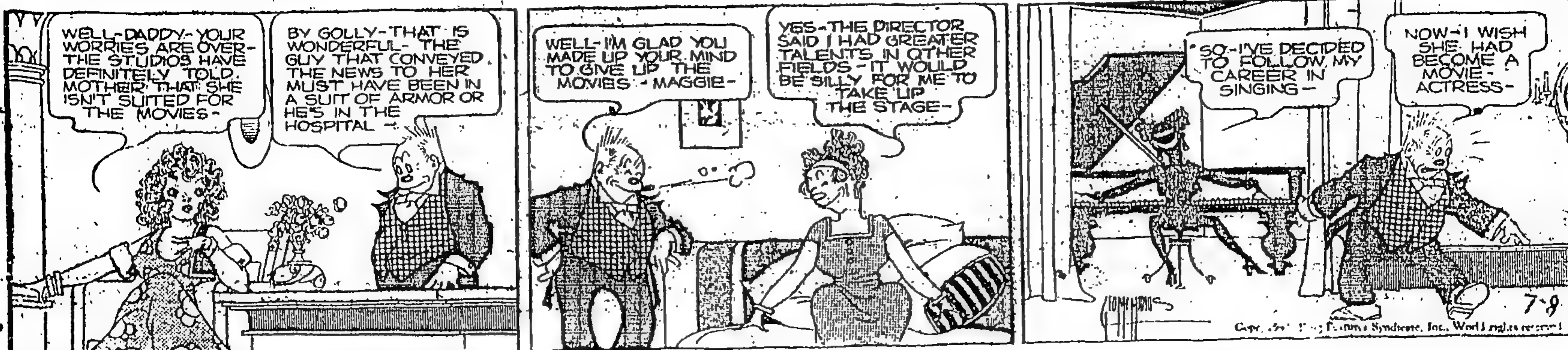
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Nutritious Menus For Adolescent Girl

The adolescent girl who thinks it is smart to diet is going to be a sad woman in a few years. During her fast changing years a girl must be supplied with sufficient food to grow muscle and fat which gives her the pleasing contours of womanhood. Malnutrition at that age robs a girl of later beauty.

The drinking of milk should be encouraged and tea and coffee absolutely forbidden. Cocoa or cereal coffee with milk is approved. Cereals for breakfast are a "must" in the sensible diet, as are whole wheat breads with each meal.

A daily portion of orange or other fruit juice rich in Vitamin C should be a habit, and if fresh fruit juice is not available then goodly portions of stewed, unsulphured dried fruits must be substituted.

Green vegetables form the major part of the adolescent's menu as they supply iron and Vitamin A in proportion to their total calories. Salads should be eaten daily as they are a very useful part of the young girl's menu. They should consist of crisp, raw or cooked vegetables, fresh fruit, eggs, or fish, served with a simple cream or oil dressing without high seasoning. Strong condiments have no place in the dietary of youth, and rich salads of meat or fish with a heavy load of mayonnaise dressing are a tax even on the sturdy adult stomach.

Meat should be provided in moderate amounts; two to four ounces only each day. As an addition to the protein content, cheese may be eaten and such dishes as cheese fondue, macaroni or hominy baked with cheese, combinations of rice, cheese and tomatoes are also urged, as are nuts and eggs.

No Rich Desserts Or Sodas!

Wrath will descend upon me when I tell the adolescent she should not eat rich desserts or take in-between-meal ice-cream



Joan Leslie, who is currently seen in "Sergeant York," is an adolescent of rare beauty. "My health routine is simple and sensible," she declares, "and I enjoy good health."

sodas! Bread and cereal puddings, custards, blanchmanges, milk sherberts and simple ice cream are the most desirable desserts since they contain high food value with ease of digestion. Baked Indian meal or poor man's puddings are ideal, and pastries should be avoided!

Fresh fruit should be eaten daily and an occasional plain cookie or cup cake is allowed.

The adolescent girl who would

like to know when she is eating enough food can go by this rule: Girls from ten to thirteen years should eat from 27 to 32 calories per pound. Girls from fourteen to seventeen, should eat from 23 to 30 calories per pound. Let us say, for instance, that a girl of sixteen years weighs 110 pounds. She should consume not less than 2,530 calories each day. And if she does not know what a calorie is she had better find out immediately! Counting calories and vitamins during her growing years will insure greater beauty during the years when she will want to be very beautiful!

Family Service

When will mothers realize that they have no right to expect their children—particularly their daughters—always to stay with them?

Quite a collection of letters came in last week telling of this old trouble. Some were from the mothers and some from the daughters.

The mothers were old and rather querulous. The daughters were young and miserable, because they wanted some happiness, but were held back from taking it by that frightening duty-to-mother feeling.

Frightening, because too often it is traded on by parents to get their own selfish way.

We told the mothers who resented their married daughters wanting to be with their husbands that they were being selfish and unreasonable; that they were wrong to feel that they were being neglected.

When a girl gets married she doesn't think any less of her mother. But her own husband and home must be her first interest.

We told the daughters to take a firm stand. There was one of

23 who, all her life, had done what her mother wanted; had gone everywhere with her and had never had a chance to make any friends of her own.

She has never been to a dance—never had a boy friend. Mother disapproves of both. She is earning enough to keep herself.

Our advice was to have a serious talk with mother, and if she still wouldn't see sense to leave home.

This sounds hard and brutal, but when you're dealing with a situation that won't bend to reason—you just have to be ruthless.

A nurse wrote to us. Her worry wasn't to do with her home, but with the girls she works with.

She thinks these girls have a "down" on her. They tease her and she minds them so much she seems to be the only one to mind them; and she minds them so much she often cries herself to sleep.

It's the old story—she is the new girl, and the old ones are throwing their weight about, feeling and acting very superior. They probably mean absolutely

Cooked Lettuce

Rinse or wash those leaves of a lettuce which are too tough to be eaten raw.

Heat some milk enough to well cover the bottom of a saucepan, then add the lettuce.

Add salt and a little grated nutmeg. Cook for five minutes, watching it to prevent burning or boiling over.

Serve hot with scrambled eggs and fresh potatoes in it. Cold with sliced hard-boiled eggs and broken toast.

no harm, but in this case they are dealing with a girl who is very sensitive.

We have told her to tease back—to give as good as she gets, and to cut down her conceit. Because it is only conceit that makes her think they are picking on her in particular.

That sounds odd, but it's true. Think it over and you'll agree.

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RADIO

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—A Military Band Concert with Dennis Noble (Baritone). Horse Trooping The Colour at the Horse Guards Parade... Bands of the Household Cavalry and the Mounted Bands, Drums & Pipes of the Brigade of Guards.

Famous Ballads by Frederick Weatherley—Intro: The Midship-mite (Adams); The Veteran's Song (Adams); Mountain Lovers (Squire); Friend o' Mine (Sander-son); Sergeant of the Line (Squire); The Deathless Army (Orch. only); Up From Somerset (Sander-son); Nirvana (Adams); Star of Bethlehem (Adams); Dennis Noble with Orchestra.

Hyde Park Suite—Intro: Sunday Morning Parade; Rotten Row; On The Serpentine; Around The Band-stand (Jalowiez); ... Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Compositions of Lehar. Gipsy Love—Overture. Edith Lorand and her Viennese Orchestra. Girls Were Made To Love and Kiss (from Operetta "Paganini"). Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orch. The Land of Smiles—Selection... The London Theatre Orchestra. Love Never Comes Too Late (from Operetta "Paganini"). Richard Tauber (Tenor) with Orchestra. Serenade from "Frasquita" Emil Roosz & his Orchestra. Oh Maiden, My Maiden (from "Frederica") Webster Booth (Vocal) with Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D. 26—Intro: Deep In A Dream; To Mother—with Love; Romany; Mexican Rose; I Shall Always Remember You Smiling; Tears On My Pillow. Charlie Kunz Piano Medley, No. D. 43—Intro: Trade Winds; Our Love Affair; Maybe.

1.55 p.m.—Max Miller with the Forces (Somewhere in England). Max Miller (Vocal) with Piano accompaniment.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-tions.

6.47 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—The Swan Lake—Ballet Music. The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Dorati.

7.18 p.m.—The Sorokin Russian Choir. Russian Medley Of Folk Songs (Trad-itional, arr. Sorokin). Gipsy Caravan (Traditional). Prince Igor—Peasants' Chorus (Borod-in-Rimsky Korsakov).

7.30 p.m.—Cesar Franck—Sonata in A Major.

1st Mov: Allegretto ben moderato; 2nd Mov: Allegro; 3rd Mov: Recita-tive-Fantasia; 4th Mov: Allegro poco mosso... Alfred Cortot (Piano) and Jacques Thibaud (Violin).

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-mentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Calling British Forces in the Far East".

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Pro-gramme Summary and Announce-ments.

9.02 p.m.—"The Gay Nineties". Frank Luther (Vocal) with Zora Layman and The Century Quartet.

9.20 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections. Miss Dolly Dollars—Entr'act: "Prin-cess Pat"—Love Is Best Of All (Victor Herbert)... Harry Horlick and his Orchestra.

"Student Prince"—Deep In My Heart, Dear (Romberg); "Glamorous Night"—Fold Your Wings (Hassall-Navarro)... Anne Ziegler & Webster Booth (Vocal) with Orchestra.

"Clowns In Clover"—Selection... The New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Porgy & Bess"—Lullaby (Gershwin)... Helen Jepson (Soprano) with Orchestra.

9.45.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—The London Piano-Accordeon Band. Maid Of Brazil (Le Roy & Marsden). The Whistling Waltz (from film "Limelight")—Woods).

All Ashore (Billy Hill). Goodbye To Summer (Botterell & Phillips).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News

and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Local Sports Results.

10.18 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Oh, Johnny, Oh Johnny, Oh, How Many Times? ... Orrin Tucker & his Orchestra.

Swing Fox-Trots—Pross Chat; Non-Stop Flight... Artie Shaw & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—Playmates... Dick Robert-son & his Orchestra.

Tango—O Balalaika; Aloha, Marimba! ... Mantovani & his Topical Orchestra.

Swing Fox-Trots—We Can Love On Love; South American Way (both from film "Streets of Paris")... Swing & Sway with Sammy Kaye.

Rumba—Six Lessons From Madame La Zonga... Jay Wilbur & his Band.

Fox-Trots—They Can't Black-Out The Moon; Good-Bye Sally... Jay Wilbur & his Orchestra.

Swing Fox-Trots—Scatterbrain; One Sweet Letter From You... Bonny Goodman & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—With The Wind & The Rain In Your Hair; Waltz—The Creaking Old Mill On The Creek... Vincent Lopez & his Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Please Be Kind; Good-night Angel... Billy Cotton and his Band.

11.15 p.m.—London Relay—Variety Pro-gramme.

12.00 midnight—Close down.

H. K. V. D. C. TRAINING CAMPS

Training Camps are to be held in October, November and December, 1941 as follows:—

1st Camp:—Corps Artillery, 2nd Battery, 3rd Battery and No. 6 Company. From p.m. Wednesday 22.10.41 to p.m. Wednesday 29.10.41.

2nd Camp:—Corps Artillery, 1st Battery, 4th Battery and 5th A.A. Battery. From p.m. Wednesday 5.11.41 to p.m. Wednesday 12.11.41.

3rd Camp:—Field Company Engineers, Corps Signals, Mobile Column, No. 2 Company and No. 3 Company. From p.m. Thursday 20.11.41 to p.m. Thursday 27.11.41.

4th Camp:—Nos. 1, 4, 5 & 7 Company and Field Ambulance. From p.m. Monday 1.12.41 to p.m. Monday 8.12.41.

Miscellaneous:—

Army Service Corps Company (Transport and Supply Sections) and certain Duty Personnel Field Ambulance—One week as detailed over the whole period.

Pay Section—as detailed by O.C. Pay Section.

Each camp lasts seven days and Officers and Volunteers are re-quired to attend for the full period during which their units are un-der training unless special ex-emption has been obtained by themselves or their employers.

In special cases where exemp-tion from a portion of the full period is sought employers should always request leave for their employees in writing, as early as possible, from the Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Volunteer Headquarters, Garden Road.

Such applications should give full particulars as to the reasons for leave and the exact times during which it is required.

Leave will only be granted for the actual period during which it is required, and except where the applicant is required for night shift work at his place of busi-ness he will be ordered to attend camp from after office hours in the evening till the commence-ment of office hours the following morning.

In the case of camps on the Island of Hong Kong transport will be available at Volunteer Headquarters, and in the New Territories the normal train service will be used. Every man granted leave will be required to wear uniform when proceeding to and from his place of business.

The very active cooperation of employers is requested so that each Officer and Volunteer may do his full time in camp, even if it means other employees doing extra work for that period. It is hoped that this cooperation will be more active than it has been in certain cases in the past. Tele-phones are installed in each camp

JUDGE'S CENSURE

Miss Mary Marjorie Mathias, a nurse, Gren-ville-place, South Kens-ington, was awarded £28 8s damages for breach of promise, in the King's Bench Division, against Flt.-Lt. Derek S. Pain, A.F.C.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Hilbery said he thought the trial of the case was as deplorable as it was unnecessary. The time of the Court had been occupied for a day while the country was involved in a life-and-death struggle. It was a mere money claim.

Counsel said that Miss Mathias told Flt.-Lt. Pain that she was going to have a child. Flt.-Lt. Pain promised to marry her.

His mother opposed the wed-ding and persuaded her son to break it off. He wrote a letter to this effect to Miss Mathias, who had a miscarriage shortly afterwards.

Miss Mathias said she had no vindictive feelings and merely asked for her expenses.

During the legal argument as to damages the judge asked whether Miss Mathias would not have had an immediate response to an ad-vertisement of her trousseau articles which could have been purchased without coupons.

GRACIE'S OLD SONGS BEST

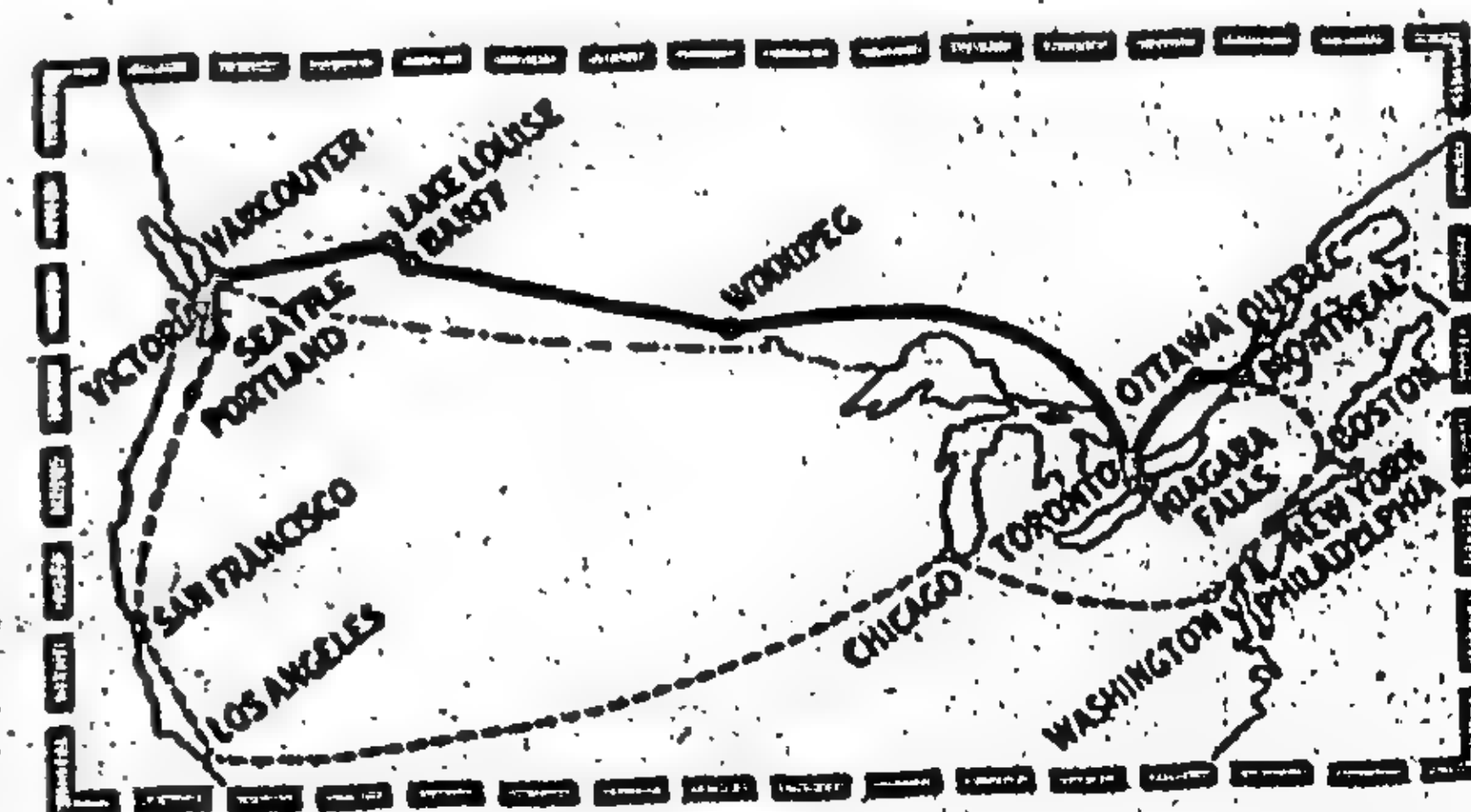
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1. RECRUITS' MEDICAL EXAMINATION
Fri. 26th Sept. 5.30 p.m. Medical Inspection Room, H.Q. Orderly Medical Officer—Captain G. T. Balean.

2. DETAIL
Corps Orderly N.C.O. H.Q. 5.25 p.m. each day.

Mon. 22nd Sept. to be detailed by O.C. No. 7 Company.

Tues. 23rd Sept. to be detailed by O.C. Fd. Ambulance.

Wed. 24th Sept. to be detailed by O.C. 5th Battery.

Thurs. 25th Sept. to be detailed by O.C. 1st Battery.

Fri. 26th Sept. to be detailed by O.C. Mobile Column.

3. RELINQUISHMENT OF APPOINTMENTS
Extract from Government Gazette No. 57 dated 12.9.41.

"No. 1095—The following gentlemen relinquished their appointments to His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., on September 6th, 1941—

5. As Honorary Aides-de-Camp—

Captain H. A. de B. Botelho, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Lieutenant G. P. Ferguson, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

4. AMENDMENT TO VOLUNTEER ORDINANCE
Extract from Government Gazette No. 52 of the 29th August, 1941.

"No. 1043—

In paragraph (1) of Regulation 3 the list of AUXILIARY UNITS is amended by the addition of "The Motor Transport Unit" after "The Hong Kong Engineering Corps" at the end thereof.—14th August, 1941."

5. PROMOTION EXAMINATION RESULTS

(a) The under-mentioned members of No. 4 Company passed a Promotion Examination on 10.9.41 to Sergeant.

Cpl. C. K. Chan, Cpl. K. T. Goh, Cpl. Y. O. Kwok.

(b) The under-mentioned passed a Promotion Examination to Corporal on 17.9.41.

L/Cpl. C. L. Fung, L/Cpl. K. H. Goh, L/Cpl. K. F. Wong.

6. LECTURE

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.45 p.m. No. 1 Lecture Room. Officers of the following units to attend. Lecture by the Adjutant on Manning Exercise.

Corps Sigs., Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5 and 7 Coys. and Pay Sec.

7. PARADES

(a) **CORPS ARTILLERY**

i. Class of Instruction.—Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. C.A. Signalling Class, Squad A.

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Recruits' Class under C.A.S.M. J. M. Jack. Dress—Overalls, belt, frog, rifle sling and S.D. cap.

Wed. 24th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. C. A. Signalling Class, Squad B.

Wed. 24th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Recruits' Class under C.A.S.M. J. M. Jack. Dress—Overalls, belt, frog.

ii. 1st Battery.—Tues. 23rd Sept. 3 p.m. H.Q. All. ½ day training at D'Agullar. Dress as for ½ day training.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All. Mufti.

iii. 2nd Battery.—Thursday, 25th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Right Sec. C.A.S.L. and Right Sec. B.O.P. Advance Party for stores. 3 p.m. All. ½ day training at Bluff Head. Dress as for ½ day training.

Reminder. Mon. 22nd Sept. 5 p.m.—6 p.m. H.Q. Change kit.

iv. 3rd Battery.—Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All. Lewis and Thompson S.M. Gun Classes. Remainder A.A. defence. Dress—Overalls, S.D. cap.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 2.45 p.m. H.Q. All. ½ day training at Aberdeen.

Dress—As for ½ day training. Reminder. Wed. 24th Sept. 5 p.m.—6 p.m. H.Q. Change of kit.

v. 4th Battery.—Tues. 23rd Sept. 2.45 p.m. H.Q. ½ day training at Pakshawan. Dress as for ½ day training.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Thompson S.M.G. practice. Those detailed. Dress—Musketry Order.

Fri. 26th Sept. 4 p.m. H.Q. Advance Party as detailed. 6 p.m. All. Week-end Camp at Pakshawan. Dress—Fighting Order "C".

vi. 5th A.A. Battery.—Tues. 23rd Sept. 3 p.m. H.Q. No. 1 Sec. ½ day training. Dress as for ½ day training.

Wed. 24th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. St. John's Place. Lecture. Dress—Mufti.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.15 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1 and Nos. 2 Secs. Week-end Manning. Salwan. Dress—Fighting Order "C".

(b) **FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS**

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.30 p.m. K.C.R. Company. Mufti. Lecture by Major F. Bunje, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 2.30 p.m. K.C.R. Company. Dress—Helmets, shirts, shorts, boots, hosetops and puttees.

Demonstration of Anti-gas measures arranged by Major V. C. Branson, M.B.E., M.C.

(c) **CORPS SIGNALS**

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.20 p.m. H.Q. (i) W/T Det. Checking equipment. (ii) Inst. Mech. Class. Repairs. (iii) Training Cadre. Lecture No. 10. (iv) Remainder. Signal training.

Wed. 24th Sept. 2 p.m. H.Q. All. Dress as usual but belts only.

(i) Mainland Sec. Field Hygiene. (ii) Island Sec. Heliograph. Lesson No. 1. (iii) Evening. Signal training.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.20 p.m. H.Q. (i) Group 1. Bayonet Fighting. Lesson No. 2. (ii) Group 2. Antitank rifle. (iii) Group 3. M/T training. Murray Parade Ground. (iv) Remainder. Weapon Training as detailed.

MOBILE COLUMN

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Those detailed. Dress—Overalls. Driving instruction.

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Mufti. N.C.O.'s Course.

Wed. 24th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Pns. Drill Order. Helmet, shirt sleeves. V. G. and L.G. training.

Wed. 24th Sept. 2.30 p.m. Hung Hom. Nos. 1 and 2 (Armd. C) Secs. Dress—Battle Order. R.T.R. caps. Street fighting.

Wed. 24th Sept. Hung Hom. Those detailed. Dress—Battle Order. R.T.R. caps. Recce on Island.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. All Pns. Dress as previously detailed. Musketry in preparation for Part II.

NO. 1 COMPANY

Mon. 22nd Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. N.C.O.'s as detailed. Dress as ordered. T.E.W.T. Pokfulam. Remainder of Coy. Weapon training at Miniature Range.

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.45 p.m. H.Q. Officers. Mufti. Adjutant's Lecture.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Company. Mufti. Weapon training.

Sun. 28th Sept. 9 a.m. Kowloon City Range. Company. Dress—Musketry Order, helmets. Rifle Course—Tables A and B. Rifles will be drawn between 12 and 1 p.m. on Sat. 27th.

NO. 2 COMPANY

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.30 p.m. Kowloon Dock. No. 6 Pln. Dress—Mufti. Weapon training.

Wed. 24th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. No. 7 Pln. Mufti. Thompson S.M.G. Kennedy Road Range.

Fri. 26th Sept. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. Company. Dress—Battle Order. ½ day training.

NO. 3 COMPANY

Sun. 21st Sept. 9 a.m. Kowloon City Range. Dress—Musketry Order. Helmets. Annual rifle classification.

Mon. 22nd Sept. 2.15 p.m. Kowloon Rly. Sta. Those detailed. Dress—Fighting Order. Helmets. T.E.W.T. Remainder. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. Dress as usual. Under platoon arrangements.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps. Under platoon arrangements.

NO. 4 COMPANY

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Company. Mufti. Weapon training.

Wed. 24th Sept. 2 p.m. H.Q. Sec. B. Dress—Drill Order, less pouches. Helmets. T.E.W.T. at 206638. Remainder of Company. Dress—Drill Order, helmets. Weapon training.

Sat. 27th Sept. 3 p.m. H.Q. No. 15 Pln. Dress—Battle Order. Helme's, steel helmet on left shoulder. Trousers in haversack. Mess tins. Manning war station.

Sat. 27th Sept. 11.30 p.m. H.Q. 13 and 14 Pns. Dress—Battle Order, S.D. caps, trousers. Night exercise.

NO. 5 COMPANY

Mon. 22nd Sept. 2.15 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company except those detailed for T.E.W.T. Dress as before. M.G. and Thompson S.M.G. training. Those detailed for T.E.W.T. will fall in at K.C.R. Station at 2 p.m.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. T.O.E.T. to be carried on from last week.

Sat. 27th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. Dress—Battle Order, Summer. Week-end manning. Details later.

Mon. 29th Sept. No parade.

NO. 6 COMPANY

Pier. Whole Company. Dress—Sun. 21st Sept. 8 a.m. Queen's Pier. Whole Company. Dress—Musketry Order—Helmets. Weapon Training Course. (Launch leaves Kowloon Police Pier at 8.30 a.m.)

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Company. Dress—Mufti. Lecture.

Fri. 26th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. N.C.O.'s, 21 Pln. Dress—as for last week. T.E.W.T. Remainder. 1. Semaphore. 2. Foot and arms drill.

NO. 7 COMPANY

Mon. 22nd Sept. 5.45 p.m. H.Q. Company. Overalls. L.G. instruction. I.A. and elementary handling.

Fri. 26th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Company. Dress—Drill Order, Summer. Company training parade.

Sun. 28th Sept. 8.30 a.m. Queen's Pier and 8.40 a.m. Kowloon Pier for Stonecutters. Company. Dress—Musketry Order, helmet. L.G. Classification

Table C.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS CO

Mon. 22nd to Sun. 28th Sept. Transport and Supply Secs. Weekly duties as ordered. Dress as before. Duty Officers as detailed.

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.20 p.m. St. John's Place. Whole Company. Dress—Mufti. Respirator drill.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 5.20 p.m. St. John's Place. Whole Company. Dress—Mufti. Lecture by Major Mould, R.A.S.C.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.15 p.m. Murray Parade Ground. Those detailed. Overalls and S.D. caps. Motor cycling instruction.

Sun. 28th Sept. All day exercise. Review Order less bayonets and frogs. Details later.

FIELD AMBULANCE

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Unit. Dress—Mufti. Kit inspection.

Wed. 24th Sept. 2.30 p.m. H.Q. Whole Unit. Dress—Fighting Order, shirt sleeves, summer, less steel helmets. Trousers to be carried in haversack. Unit training.

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.30 p.m. H.Q. Promotion Class. Review Order, summer. Promotion lectures.

PAY SECTION

Tues. 23rd Sept. 5.30 p.m. Vol. H.Q. All ranks. Mufti. Weapon training.

Thurs. 25th Sept. 8.30 a.m. Commnd. H.Q. No. 1 Sec. Sec. Uniform. Pay duties.

Fri. 26th Sept. 8.30 a.m. Commnd. H.Q. No. 2 Sub. Sec. Uniform. Pay duties.

Orderly Sgt. for week—Sgt. G. Herdman.

FORTRESS SIGNAL CO

Mon. 22nd Sept. To C.S.O.'s instruction. Uniform. Manning exercise N.E. and N.W. Sectors.

Tues. 23rd Sept. 2.30 p.m. Exchange building. Dress—Mufti. L.G. revision.

Fri. 26th Sept. 3 p.m. H.Q. Parade Ground. Mufti. Thompson S.M.G. instruction.

APPOINTMENTS

Cpl. K. T. Goh, No. 4 Coy. to be L/Sgt.—13.9.41.

Cpl. C. K. Chan, No. 4 Coy. to be L/Sgt.—13.9.41.

L/Cpl. B. K. Yip, Corps Signals to be Signm.—18.9.41.

C.Q.M.S. A. Spary is appointed Instructor in the Fd. Coy. Engrs. w.e.f.—17.9.41.

TRANSFERS

Pte. F. A. Rapp from Mobl. Coln. to A.S.C. Coy.—5.9.41.

Gnr. Chan Fu-chun from 3rd Bty. to Unit Res.—17.9.41.

Gnr. V. I. Treskin from 1st Bty. to Unit Res.—19.9.41.

Pte. A. Komorsky from No. 1 Coy. to Mob. Coln.—19.9.41.

NOTICES

Sg's Mess General Meeting:—A Sg's Mess General Meeting will be held in No. 1 Lecture Room on Wed. 24th Sept. at 5.30 p.m. All members not on duty will attend.

Sg's Mess Committee Meeting:—A Sg's Mess Committee Meeting will be held in No. 1 Lecture Room on Wed. 24th Sept. at 6.30 p.m. All members of the Committee will attend.

Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps. AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C. LECTURE:—

Fri. 26th Sept. 5.45 p.m. St. John's Cathedral Hall. Uniform. 1st Aid lecture.

Sgd. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Commandant.

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BECAUSE HE YEARNED FOR ADVENTURE AT SEA, A BOY OF SIXTEEN EXCHANGED CLOTHES WITH A NAVAL STOCKER IN THE HOPE OF GETTING ABOARD A WARSHIP.

He had been in the Navy already—though he was only fifteen. But he gave a false age when joining up, and when this was discovered a few months later he was discharged.

He had also served in the Merchant Service, and during the evacuation from France was rescued from a sinking ship, as a result of which he spent six weeks in hospital.

The youth with whom he exchanged clothes was a deserter, and at Portsmouth Juvenile Court the boy, still wearing naval uniform, was accused of falsely representing himself to be a stoker in the Navy.

"I wanted more adventure," he told the magistrates.

Adjourning the case indefinitely, they wished him the best of luck in his naval career.

He's 16 now, you see—and now old enough to join the Royal Navy.

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The entertainer—Mr. Tom Haffenden, of Gillingham, Kent—begins with a Punch and Judy show, using wooden figures, carved by himself, representing Churchill, Stalin, Hitler and Mussolini. This part of the show is very popular, especially when Churchill hangs Hitler from a scaffold.

Mr. Haffenden, who has broadcast, has to cancel many of his engagements because of his work. He seldom manages to get more than five hours sleep.

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GALAXY OF STARS ON VIEW AT ARMY POOL THIS EVENING

HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS ARE HOLDING THEIR ANNUAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS AT ARMY POOL TO-NIGHT, AND WITH THE AMALGAMATION OF THE INTER-SERVICES GALA INTO THE PROGRAMME, THOSE ATTENDING SHOULD BE ASSURED OF AN EXCELLENT EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Mark Young, has intimated that he will be attending, and during the evening a military band will render selections.

The gala will be in aid of the British Prisoners of War Fund, tickets being \$2.50 (or more) and \$1.00 (or more), Servicemen in uniform half price.

Navy will be without the services of Paul and this will considerably affect their chances in the sprint events, but L. A. Benn, the "Y" swimmer, will be swimming for them, while Lt. Thompson and Rutter are also likely to be available, and Gracie is the only man from the Air Force to be in the combined R.A.F.-Navy team.

The Auxiliary Nursing Service will not be competing, it is understood.

The diving will be off a new 3-metre board, which is described as "very springy," and which may cause some fun if the divers become careless.

Programme And Entries

Following is the programme and entries—

CORPS CHAMPIONSHIP DIVING

Mobile Column:—G. Ainslie and N. D. Booker.
Portuguese Coys.:—Cicero Rozario and Luiz M. Remedios.
Static M.G.s.:—R. Goldman and A. Zimmerman.
Small Units:—A. A. Noronha and C. L. Salter.
Corps Artillery:—P. B. Wilson and L. Goldman.

SIX-MEN RELAY

(one length each)
Mobile Column:—N. D. Hammond, D. Hutchinson, N. D. Booker, G. Arnold, D. O. Parsons and Weylandt.
Portuguese Coys.:—A. Azedo, E. da Roza, J. M. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, Luiz M. Remedios and F. Noronha.
Static M.G.s.:—E. A. Roberts, R. Goldman, A. MacKenzie and E. Zimmerman.



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Outsider:—Blue Gown.

Race No. 4.
TOBACCO SHIP
NATIONAL VICTORY
MAPLE STAR
Outsider:—Casino.

Race No. 5.
EVE OF HUNTING
ROYAL WEDDING EVE
JUST IN TIME
Outsider:—Maunder.

Race No. 6.
PIET HEIN
MAC'S ADVENTURE
RADIUM STAR
Outsider:—King's Worthy.

MINIATURE FOOTBALL

In the quarter-final of the Miniature Football competition sponsored by St. Joseph's Football Club, Tung Shan beat Sing Pao by 6 goals to 3 yesterday.

The winners led 4-0 before the interval, the scorers being Lau Chung-sang, Lai Shiu-wing (2) and Wong Man-kwai.

On the resumption Sing Pao reduced the arrears through Yuen Yiu-lam (penalty), Lai then netted his third goal and Sing Pao replied through Tsang Chung-wan and Ho Ying-fan.

Lau Chung-sang netted the winners' sixth goal.

They will meet S. China in the semi-final on Monday.

Tung Shan:—Mak Ping, Hau Yung-sang, Man Sau-ki, Fung Kwan-sing, Wong Man-kwai, Lai Shiu-wing and Lau Chung-sang.

Sing Pao:—Wong Kwok-yue, Tsang Chung-wan, Leung Ching-wah, Ho Lok-ki, Ho Ying-fan, Leung Ping-kwan and Yuen Yiu-lam.

Ah Q Win

Defeating Maiuk Clinic by 3 goals to 1, Ah Q earned the right to play in the Final on Tuesday. Hau Ching-to and Hsu King-sing (2) scored for Ah Q, while Leung Ping-kwan replied for the losers.

'VARSITY AQUATICS

The Annual swimming sports of Hong Kong University will be held to-day at European Y.M.C.A., commencing at 2 p.m.

WEIGHTS FOR NEXT SATURDAY'S RACES

Handicap weights for Hong Kong Jockey Club's seventh extra race meeting at Happy Valley a week to-day are as follows:

Race No. 1—1 Mile—Blue Field (152), Eve of Folly (150), Galveston Bay (148), Humdrum Eve (152), Laurabell (148), Night Express (137), Odeon (141), Raconteur (138), Red Feather (152) and Thirty Six (152).

Race No. 2—From 1/2 M.P.—Avon (148), Eve of Grandeur (152), Eve of Heaven (152), Gay Star (150), Hillsboro Bay (142), Johnner (150), Kentucky (142), Sam's Choice (142), So Nice (139) and Wonderful Scheme (159).

Race No. 3—1 1/4 Miles—Amulet Star (148), Angel of Glory (145), Araxy II (145), A Surprising Time (161), Bendigo (148), Bendigo (147), Black Seal (153), Corsair (150), Crack Shot (140), Happy Returns (164), Harmony Star (143), Joan (145), Jus Gentium (157), King's Flight (157), Lex Forl (150), Mainsail (150), National Welfare (148), Never-never (148), Nigger (140), Ogie (140), Royal Sovereign (149), Spitfire (140), Sydney Diamond (142), Vitamin M. (144) and Wayworth (145).

Race No. 4—1 Mile—A Happy Time (154), A Luxurious Time (147), Brown Derby (150), Coleridge Bridge (149), Coloma (147), Conqueror (147), Lucky Lady (147), Man-O-War (154), March Warbler (135), Mountain View (139), Sparrow (144) and Vanguard (144).

Race No. 5—From 1/2 M.P.—Eve of Dancing (135), Eve of Reason (152), Expansion Time (135), Galaxy (147), Heedle View (140), Hopeful Star (147), Hughbar (150), King Kong (130), Oonagh (149), Resisting Time (142) and Ronson (140).

Race No. 6—1 Mile—A Blossom Time (145), Amusement Tax (140), Canberra (145), Graceful View (151), Iron Belle (151), King's Welcome (151), Locust Stand (149), Miss Chalfont (145), National Reform (148), New Moon (145), Odin (148), Pigtail (145), Rattle Decidendi (151), Riverside (148), Subpoena (145) and Tropical Love (151).

Race No. 7—6 Furlongs—Anzac Day (145), Araxy II (145), Bendigo (148), Centre Court (148), Devonian (152), Newborn Star (148), Nomine Poenne (152), Rattle Decidendi (145), Shuttlecock (152), Triumphant Day (152) and Vis Major (141).

Race No. 8—1 Mile—Cheerful Star (147), Contact (143), Criffel (147), Gay Fox (142), Gloaming (154), Picecadilly Jim (154), Rowan (154), Springhurst (150), Tornado Star (142), Venus Bay (130) and Vixen Tor (135).

Race No. 9—4 Furlongs—A Roaring Time (145), Cocklehol (145), Crack Shot (142), Derby Day (145), Double Finesse (152), Flying Dutchman (142), Franklin (145), Income Tax (145), Leading Star (145), Sydney Lady (145), The Koala Bear (142) and Twinkling Star (143).

Race No. 10—1 Mile—Advancing Time (145), Blue Diamond (139), Emergency Unit (135), Eve of Peace (149), Jennifer (149), Jober (149), Lancashire Lass (152), Oscar Zylch (140) and Peaceful View (152).

Race No. 11—6 Furlongs—Battle (147), Googly (143), Hascossay (144), King's Welcome (144), Locust Stand (144), Longdon (144), Misty View (143), Sea Jay (147), Seal River (144), Tropical Love (147) and Vitamin M. (147).

POLICE ENTERTAIN BOWLING GREEN IN 3RD DIVISION BATTLE

By "Skip"

There are only nine matches down for decision in the Lawn Bowls League to-day, instead of the normal thirteen.

IN FIRST DIVISION THERE IS LITTLE OF INTEREST, ALL THE HOME TEAMS BEING EXPECTED TO WIN. EARLIER IN THE SEASON KOWLOON DOCK JUST MANAGED TO BEAT THE INDIANS AT HUNG HOM, BUT THERE SHOULD BE A VASTLY DIFFERENT RESULT AT SOO-KUNPOO.

Craigengower are back to their normal strength and should find Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" an easy proposition, whilst Club de Recreio "A", outgoing champions, are bound to beat Civil Service and when I say, beat them, I mean beat them!

Police may be expected to overcome Club de Recreio "B", third from the bottom of the table, a place they will retain if the anticipated defeats of Civil Service and Kowloon Bowling Green Club "B" materialise.

Both games in Second Division are important to one of the participants—in one case Kowloon Football Club play Hong Kong Cricket Club and are expected to win, even at Chater Road, and so retain their position at the head of affairs, while Kowloon Tong will be preparing for any slip by trying to beat Talkoo by the 5/0 method. I do not think they can manage more than 4/1 though.

Battle Of Giants

The real fighting of the day will be in Third Division, where Police, present leaders, virtually battle for promotion.

Their protagonists, Kowloon Bowling Green Club, are a point and a half in arrears of them and have played one more match so must win this game outright if they hope to remain in the running. And I'll say they positively cannot do it.

Indians are in a similar position, except that their opposition is much weaker and they should win easily. The other game—Hong Kong Cricket Club versus Kowloon Football Club—has little bearing on the League table, but the mainlanders should be the victors.

T. PILE SKIPPING FOR P.O.C.

Prison Officers' Club are playing off their re-arranged fixture against Hong Kong Football Club at Stanley to-day, and have made a few changes in their team for the match.

Gowland retains the same four that played in their last game, but Pile will be skipping in place of Bagley and will have Freeman, McCurrach and McGrath as his front men, while McCutcheon, who led Freeman, McCurrach and Forster the last time, will be playing with Hircok, Fitzgerald and Jillett as his front men to-day.

The P.O.C. team will be as follows—

Y. H. Freeman, J. McCurrach, G. V. McGrath and T. M. Pile (skip); A. W. Hircok, J. W. Fitzgerald, A. Jillett and J. McCutcheon (skip); W. E. Webber, J. W. Hudson, S. Hodge and C. Gowland (skip). Reserve: R. G. Robertson.

"SKIP'S" FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION.

I.R.C.	(53) v K. Dock	(54)
C.C.C.	(86) v K.B.G.C.'B'	(49)
Police	(68) v Rec. 'B'	(50)
Rec. 'A'	(68) v C.S.C.C.	(38)

2ND DIVISION

H.K.C.C.	(51) v K.F.C.	(77)
K. Tong	(46) v Talkoo	(72)

3RD DIVISION

H.K.C.C.	(58) v K.F.C.	(52)
Electric	(42) v I.R.C.	(61)
Police	(61) v K.B.G.C.	(61)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the First Round match.

LAICHIKOK GALA

Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents Union Club held a swimming-gala at Laichikok last night, following which the prizes for the successful competitors were presented by Mr. Wong Sui-fat, Manager of Kin Fat Yuen Bakery.

Results were as follows—

50 Metres Free-Style:—1, John Dai; 2, Chu Chok-yau; 3, Kwok Chan-hang. Time: 30'4-5 secs.
Women's 200 Metres Breast-Stroke:—1, Sam Put; 2, Sam Ho. Time: 3 mins. 34 secs.

200 Metres Breast-Stroke:—1, Wong Lok-tim; 2, Chan Chit-cheong; 3, Li Pak-ki. Time: 3 mins. 12 secs.

Small Boys' 100 Metres Breast-Stroke:—1, Tse Kai-chi; 2, Tse Kai-chow.

Women's 50 Metres Fancy Swimming:—1, Sam Put; 2, Sam Ho.

150 Metres Relay:—1, Yeung Man-wai, Mak Kwok-hung and John Dai. Time: 1 min. 4 secs.

100 Metres Free-Style (Training Class):—1, Lo Wing-to; 2, Tang Koon-fuk; 3, Tse Kai-chow.
Water Polo (Union Club's Division Teams):—Whites drew with Blues 2-2.

SKATING RINK WIN 9 TO 0

Skating Rink team entertained China Youth in a friendly hockey on roller skates match last night and won by 9 goals to nil after holding a 5-0 lead in the first half.

The Skating Rink team comprised Kum Yuk-cheong, Yeung Wai-kee (1), Pasqual (1), Eric Cheung (2), R. Yip (2) and Carlos (3); the figures in brackets denoting the number of goals scored, while the China Youth side was Kwok Sui-fook, Ng Ping-kong, Lee Ping-kee, Tsang Man, Yip Kwai and Chang Hon-sang.

TWO BIG CHARITY FOOTBALL GAMES THIS WEEK-END

Two football games will be played this week in aid of British and Chinese Charities. The combined Eastern and Sing Tao team which toured Australia recently meet United Services at Caroline Hill to-day at 5.30 p.m. and tomorrow South China, last season's League and Shield champions, meet the Association team which won the Governor's Cup competition last season.

Combined Eastern and Sing Tao are expected to account for the Services, as they will have the advantage of having played together before, while their opponents will be without the services of Roughley (Navy), who is on the injured list.

South China should be fully extended by Association's side tomorrow, and if the Association can produce anything like their usual form they should win comfortably.

In addition to these games a number of friendly matches have been arranged, but neither Kowloon nor Club will be at full strength, owing to Volunteer exercises.

At Kowloon, Navy are playing two games against K.F.C., and even at this late hour have not decided on the composition of their side for the opening League game next Saturday.

Following is the week-end programme, together with some of the selected teams:—

To-day

CHARITY MATCH
Eastern-Sing Tao v United Services
(Caroline Hill, 5.30 p.m.)

SENIOR
Police v Kwong Wah
(Boundary Street, 5.45 p.m.)
Referee: Mr. Kossick
Linesmen: Messrs. James and Hancock

Club v Middlesex
(Club, 6 p.m.)
Referee: Mr. Emmons
Linesmen: Messrs. Lai Po-deun and E. Lai

Kowloon v Navy
(Kowloon, 5.30 p.m.)
Referee: Mr. Smith
Linesmen: Messrs. Moore & Watson

JUNIOR
Police v Kwong Wah
(Boundary Street, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee: Mr. Taylor
Linesmen: Messrs. Moggeridge and Young

Club v Middlesex
(Club, 5 p.m.)
Referee: Mr. Williamson
Linesmen: Messrs. Wilson & Vesco

Kowloon v Navy
(Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)
Referee: Mr. Banham
Linesmen: Messrs. Yearling and Quinn

Signals v Laneford
(St. Joseph's, 4.15 p.m.)

To-morrow

CHARITY MATCH
South China v Governor's Cup XI.
(Caroline Hill, 5.30 p.m.)

TEAMS
Eastern-Sing Tao:—Cheung Wing-choy (Sing Tao); Hau Yung-sang (Sing Tao) and Lee Ting-sang (Sing Tao); Chang Kam-hoi (Eastern); Soong Ling-sing (Sing Tao) and Chiu Ah-fai (Sing Tao); C. T. Tsao (Eastern); Fung King-cheong (Sing Tao); V. K. Hyat (Eastern); Lai Shui-wing (Sing Tao) and Hau Ching-to (Eastern).

Club:—S. A. Fowler, Upton, Forrow, Bond, Gilchrist, A. Odell, J. Skinner, Millington, Hopkinson, E. Strange, F. Fowler and Bickford.

Governor's Cup Team:—Bankier (Royal Scots); Blackburn (Police); Fraser (Royal Scots); Pope (Police); Bright (Middlesex) and Thomas (Middlesex); Fowler (Club); Le Page (Navy); Howlett (Police); Ferrier (Police) and A. N. Other.

United Services:—Bankier (Royals); Naysmith (Royals) and Fraser (Royals); Birrell (Engineers); Bright (Middlesex) and Thomas (Middlesex); Hossack (Royals); Pelham (Engineers); Hendy (Navy); Le Page (Navy) and Duffield (Ordnance).

Reserves:—Young (R.A.S.C.) and Owens (R.A.).

Kwong Wah (Seniors):—Lee Kwok-kee, Chung Fai-lan, Lee Kwok-wai, Wong Shui-kee, Yeung Tse-tsang, Leung Pak-wai, Lee Yan-jeung, Tin Yung-fat, Chan Tak-fai, Cheuk Shek-kam and Wong King-chung.

Kwong Wah (Juniors):—Wong Cheung, Lo Shu-kar, Henry Young, Leung Bing-chuen, Chung Kim-fai, Yeung Poon-wang, Ip Yun-bor, Leung Bing-kam, Chin Chi-fun, Wan Shu-ying and Law Wing-kut.

South China:—Tam Kwan-kon; Tsang Chung-wan and Tse Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po and Lau Chung-sang; Chin Chi-fai, Lee Tak-kee, Lee Wai-long, Chau Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau.



Here is tense drama! This photograph, taken at the Valley last Saturday, when Craigenower surprisingly defeated Kowloon Football Club on all three rinks in Second Division of the Lawn Bowls League, shows, from left to right: A. J. Coelho, W. C. Ogley (with hat), W. C. Simpson and A. Lapsley watching a wood coming up the green.

GETTING READY FOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE SEASON

By "Grandstand"

WHEN SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION holds its Annual Meeting, which should be any day now, the Management Committee will be faced with a real problem—one which is at present occupying the thoughts of several team managers—namely, "which will be the teams to be admitted to First Division of Men's League?"

In the Ladies' League the number of teams will not be more than eight, and the problem does not arise, but with the recent formation of several excellent men's teams, it is almost certain that the number of applications for entry to First Division will exceed the dozen mark.

Last year's experience showed that an eight-team-loop in the senior circuit is the most suitable arrangement, taking into consideration ground facilities and the limited playing time.

Of the eight teams that participated last year, all but the Filipino Club have been making efforts to sign up players for another attempt on the pennant this year. The position as regards Filipino Club is not quite certain, since most of their players have turned out for Harry Campos' newly formed "Furiosos," but nothing more has been heard about this squad since they succumbed to the Merry Madcaps in their initial appearance.

Automatic Promotion

I am not quite certain what arrangements were made last year concerning promotion from the junior loop, but from what information I have been able to gather, it is understood that the Junior Champions automatically qualify for promotion to the Senior Division to replace the basement team of First Division which will be relegated to the second.

During the week, the Junior champions, V.R.C. squad, held a meeting at which it was decided to enter a senior as well as a junior team.

Of the many new teams formed, the Madcaps and U.S.S. Mindanao, both of whom have already displayed their wares, seem good enough to qualify for first, whilst Chung Hwa Maroons, runners-up to the V.R.C. last season have also signified their intention of applying for admission into Senior Division.

Juniors Neglected

It is not hard to figure out the reasons why managers desire participation in Senior League. Firstly, and most important, is the smooth running of the senior circuit. There was at least one occasion last year, in the beginning of the season, when a Second Division game could not be started owing to the absence of umpires and the lack of provision of bases. As a result of the lackadaisical attitude towards these games, which resulted in many postponements, the League was stopped for some time, before it was re-organised and a certain amount of supervision arranged.

The non-provision of official scorers for these games, too, contributed to the lack of interest, since it is a well-known fact that records provide the stimulating competitive interest in any sport.

In spite of all this, however, some very good games were witnessed last season, and, granted proper supervision, there is absolutely no reason

DID YOU KNOW?

Earl Webb of the Red Sox set the two-base hit record at 67 in 1931. Joe Medwick of the Cardinals made 64 in '30.

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT

Two matches in the Open Basketball League will be played at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when Sing Tao should have no difficulty in obtaining the points from Black Cats, but Bank Union will have to put up a hard struggle to secure even one point from Residents' Union.

made a momentous decision after considerable deliberation. Eddie has wisely decided to avail himself of the opportunity of a year's experience in the minor league before embarking upon an ambitious attack on the senior pennant.

Although the whole team is behind mentor Marques in this step, Eddie wishes it to be known, here and now, that he is not holding back any player of his team who may desire to play in First Division. This includes starry firstbacker "Romeo" Hamet, who, it is understood, has returned to the Indian fold, whilst Skelly Razack and Big Boy Bakar have re-joined their first love, the Cyclones.

To-morrow's Friendly

A friendly has been arranged between Mohawks and Madcaps for to-morrow at 11.30 a.m.; at Kowloon Football Club ground. The Mohawk line-up is still uncertain, but Carl Silva-Netto and Robby Rocha will be the Madcap battery, with Hamet, Izatt, Hollands and Yvanovich in the infield, whilst Sprinkle, Castilho and Elarte will be the pasture guardians.

Marques's Decision

FLASH! Even as we go to press, Madcap mentor Eddie Marques has

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THREE BETTER NATIONAL AQUATIC MARKS

CHAN CHUN-NAM, YAU SAI-KWAN AND LAU TAI-PING, OF LAI TSUN SWIMMING UNION, ALL BROKE THE CHINESE NATIONAL RECORD FOR THE 400 YARDS FREE-STYLE EVENT AT VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB LAST EVENING, WHEN HEATS FOR THE CHINESE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS WERE DECIDED.

Chan Chun-nam was clocked at 5 min. 24.1/5 secs. in the first heat of the event, while Yau Sai-kwan (5 min. 25 secs.) and Lau Tai-ping (5 min. 29 secs.) also bettered the previous best National mark.

It was announced last evening that the finals will be decided to-day and Monday, the swimming starting at 7.30 p.m. each day, instead of to-morrow and on Monday as previously announced.

Following were the results of the heats:—

Men's 50 Yards free-style:—Heat 1—1. Tsui Hang; 2. Fung Fei-wan. Time: 24.4/5 secs. Heat 2—1. Shek Kam-pui; 2. Tsang Cheong-ming; 3. Chan King-ping. Time: 25.3/5 secs.

Ladies' 50 Yards free-style:—Heat 1—1. Miss Mok Shum-lan; 2. Miss Tsang Fung-kwan. Time: 34.1/5 secs. Heat 2—1. Miss Ho Wai-king; 2. Miss Sa Wai-ying; 3. Miss Cheng Oi-lin. Time: 32.2/5 secs.

Men's 400 Yards free-style:—Heat 1—1. Chan Chun-nam; 2. Lau Kai-yuen. Time: 5 mins. 24.2/5 secs. (Record). Heat 2—1. Yau Sai-kwan; 2. Lau Tai-ping; 3. Cheung Shuet-ping. Time: 5 mins. 25 secs. (Record).

Men's 100 Yards breast-stroke:—Shek Kam-pui, Chan Kam-cheong, Robert Chan, Lau Yiu-ling and Fong Kwong-yul. (Automatically qualified for the finals).

Ladies' 400 Yards free-style:—Misses Yip Choi-man, Ho Wai-king, Leung Oi-mui, Lee Po-luen and Ho Wai-man. (Automatically qualified for the finals).

Ladies' 200 Yards breast-stroke:—Misses Shum Wai-ying, Lau Wun-tao, Chiu Bick-ying, Ho Wai-man and Lee Po-luen. (Automatically qualified for the finals).

Men's 1,500 Yards free-style:—Chan Chun-nam, Lau Tai-ping, Yau Sai-kwan, Cheung Shuet-ping and Mak Kam-nam. (Automatically qualified for the finals).

To-day's Events

Following is to-day's programme:—

Men's 200 Metres free-style Relay.

Ladies' 200 Metres free-style Relay.

Men's 200 Metres breast-stroke.

Ladies' 100 Metres back-stroke.

Men's 100 Metres free-style.

Men's Long Plunge.

Ladies' 100 Metres free-style.

Men's 1,500 Metres free-style.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY PRACTICE

In preparation for the forthcoming hockey season, European Y.M.C.A. will hold their first practice this afternoon at King's Park, commencing at 4 p.m.

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CHUNGKING SUSPICIONS DISPELLED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

President Roosevelt's frank statement to Congress on details of American aid to China has dispelled whatever apprehension or suspicion which reports of the U.S.-Japan conversations, emanating from Shanghai, were designed to create in the minds of the Chinese people, said a semi-official spokesman in Chungking yesterday.

The spokesman added that the crudities of the Japanese diplomatic manoeuvres were thus completely exposed. — International News Service.

DAILY STRAFE CONTINUES

A Royal Air Force communique issued in Cairo states that the harbour and shipping at Tripoli, Benghazi and Bardia, and also munition factories in Ligata, in Sicily, were bombed without any loss to the R.A.F.—Reuter.

Unfavourable To Australian Premier

MR. CURTIN, THE Australian Labour leader, who on Wednesday gave notice of a question bearing on public administration and the employment of Government funds, and who was assured on Thursday by the Premier, Mr. A. W. Fadden, that Government was satisfied with the propriety of steps taken, made a statement on the matter in Canberra yesterday.

Last Saturday, Mr. Curtin said, a man called on him while he was still in his bedroom, bringing documents with him. These, the man said, were "worth while" if questions were asked concerning the use of secret funds.

"I was amazed to find in these documents extracts from documents which, from my knowledge, should not have been available outside the head of the Government."

"I showed them on Monday to Mr. Fadden who was astounded to read them. I also showed them to Mr. Menzies (the former Premier)."

"Trades Union leaders denied all knowledge of them."

"Unfavourable" To Premier

"I discussed the matter with the Labour Executive on Wednesday

and also with Mr. Fadden, so my question in Parliament was no mystery to Government."

"I thought Government would have given a full answer on Thursday."

"Parliament should know the full details of the propriety of expenditure."

"My own opinion is that the documents were given me in view of what happened to Mr. Menzies in the recent political discussion, as it was believed they would enable me to attack Mr. Fadden."

"Some of the contents were extremely unfavourable to Mr. Fadden."—Reuter.

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BURMESE RELATIONS WITH CHINA

The inter-dependence of the security of Burma and China on each other was emphasised by the leader of the Chinese delegation, Mr. T. K. Tseng, at the opening of the Sino-Burmese negotiations on Chinese emigration into Burma yesterday morning.

Mr. Tseng, who speech was read in his absence owing to ill-health, said that Britain, Burma and China were practically on the same Democratic front. He referred to Mr. Churchill's latest speech as showing an increasing realisation that the southward expansion programme of the Axis partner in the Pacific was a real menace.

Mr. Tseng said the present negotiations were another example of the growing cooperation between Burma and China.

The Premier of Burma, Mr. U. Saw, said that while Burma's proposals sought to impose restrictions on new Chinese immigration, they had not the intention to impose unfair or humiliating conditions on immigrants.

He also proposed to deal generously with Chinese nationals already in Burma. He acknowledged the benefits accrued to Burma in the past from Chinese immigration, adding that the harmony between Burmans and Chinese must be retained at all costs, and the best way of achieving it was by allaying the natural fears of the Burmans by imposing an agreed restriction on Chinese immigration.—Reuter.

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